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Tory Policy

Labour's election manifesto is uninspiring and disappointing, then the Tories' is remarkable for its restraint and almost complete reliance on past record and present policy even allowing that the two must be judged by a different criterion, Labour, in Opposition, is challenging. The Government is defending. Traditionally the Opposition's manifesto promises more while both tend to ignore realities.

But the Tories can ill-afford complacency with its present small House majority, however sound its record at home and abroad may be, particularly when all indications point to a close fight in this month's national poll. An essential part of the Tory manifesto is, of course, the budget and by all political and economic considerations it is judged a sound one. Furthermore pro-government economists are quick to point out that if the Party secures a large enough majority sweeping changes to the taxation structure are foreshadowed.

THE whole economy is to be rejuvenated and strengthened by basic re-arrangements and alterations. Yet a few more tangible election bribes could have been offered. This "Honest John" attitude implies the Government is only seeking a vote of confidence. To draw any comfort from the results it will have to see its present majority of 19 increased to at least 50, and better still 100. On its present manifesto this does not seem possible.

On foreign affairs, the Government is hopeful, in some respects optimistic and insists that achievement lies with the proven diplomatic procedures of the last four years. At home much appears to hinge on future budgetary methods; exports are to be maintained or increased; home and hospital building are likewise to be increased. One compensation perhaps is that the electorate at least knows there are to be no radical changes.

Vietnam's Plight

DIEM must go, the French insist. And the Americans are equally insistent he must stay. The world wonders who is right. Possibly a majority side with the French, not because they are convinced of the ineffectiveness of the present Premier of South Vietnam but possibly because the Americans have an unfortunate habit of backing the wrong horse and sticking to it with purling tenacity—regardless of its obvious shortcomings.

If Diem is dumped—and who is to dump him?—who follows? Or rather, what follows? "Government" by proxy from Cannes, a new dose of Gilbertian warlordism and a second tragedy of the Tuchinskis? Anarchy, at any rate, with South Vietnam doomed to a huge, formless struggle until the "day of deliverance" by Ho Chi-minh. In Asia, Diem's failure is regarded as a typical example of the consequence of American interference. No quantity of the once all-powerful dollar aid can save him now. Only his natural instinct to survive. Yet without condoning their myopia, it must be said there is an element of realism in the present American stand.

Diem, administratively incompetent as he is, offers a slim chance—possibly one in a million—that he may effect the miracle of unity and with the support of the Army crush or intimidate the instigators of chaos and conflict. At the moment, there is anarchy, Diem and that one slight hope. Without him, there is anarchy and no hope.

Loss To Trade  
Unionism



Death Of  
Mr Arthur  
Deakin

Brilliant Trade  
Union Leader

Leicester, May 1. Mr Arthur Deakin, one of Britain's most powerful and controversial trade union leaders, died here tonight after collapsing with a heart attack while addressing a May Day rally.

His death at the age of 64 came just three hours before the deadline for a nationwide rail strike called off last night largely as a result of his mediation efforts.

Mr Deakin, Secretary of the 1,500,000 strong Transport and General Workers Union, was the bitterest opponent of Communist cells in the trade union movement and an outspoken critic of Mr Aneurin Bevan, the left-wing Labour leader.

A former Chairman of the eight million strong Trades Union Congress he was proud of his nickname "the hammer of the Reds" and of the role he played in leading Western unions out of the Communist-dominated World Federation of Trade Unions.

Bluff and fearlessly outspoken, his influence on Britain's industrial and economic affairs since the war was considered greater than that of any other union chief.

Mr Deakin was due to retire this November from his post with the TGWU—the world's largest union outside Soviet Russia.

He collapsed on the platform in the middle of the speech apparently from a heart attack and died on reaching hospital.

Mr Deakin succeeded the late Mr Ernest Bevin as TGWU Secretary in 1948.

He had been a follower of Mr Bevin since meeting him in Wales 44 years ago, and became temporary head of the union when Mr Bevin went into Britain's wartime government as Minister of Labour in 1940.

After the war, with Mr Bevin devoting his time fully to politics, Mr Deakin developed into one of the nation's most powerful union chiefs.

He succeeded Lord Crichton as President of the World Federation of Trade Unions. But in January 1949, he left the British delegates out of the reorganisation and the American and Dutch unions also seceded.

The son of a Warwickshire collier, he started work at four shillings a week in a Welsh steel plant at the age of 13.

He became a Companion of Honour in 1949 and Sir Winston Churchill made him a Privy Counsellor last year. —Reuter.

Togliatti Unwell

Trieste, May 1. Palmiro Togliatti, 62-year-old Italian Communist leader, was taken ill while addressing 15,000 workers at a May Day rally here today but continued after a ten-minute rest. —Reuter.

Revolutionary  
Junta In  
Control

SUSPECTED CONTACT  
WITH VIETMINHSE

Saigon, May 1.

Battle-scarred Saigon was relatively calm tonight, but clouds seemed to be gathering for a possible new storm.

The situation was this:

1. General Nguyen Van Vy, invested by Vietnam Chief of State Bao Dai with full military powers, was in flight to Dalat and the army seemed to be under the control of supporters of Premier Ngo Dinh Diem. However, Nguyen Van Vy still considered himself the sole legal power in South Vietnam, and was trying to win the army to him.

2. A "revolutionary committee" composed of supporters of Premier Diem had declared the deposition of Bao Dai, the dissolution of the Diem government and called on Diem to constitute a new government.

However, according to informed sources, Diem and the United States Embassy here were suspicious that several of the 200 members of the "revolutionary committee" were really connected with the Vietminh, the Communist-led wartime force which now rules the north.

3. The "revolutionary committee" published appeals calling on the Vietnamese population to "install a republic" and "throw out the French colonialists." General Paul Ely, French Commissioner-General in Indo-China, immediately strengthened his Saigon forces in order to protect the French population of the city. A Moroccan division was on its way to Saigon from Bien Hoa, about 20 miles from Saigon.

Tonight the revolutionary junta bolstering Mr Diem in defiance of the Head of State, prepared to wage an all-out war against the Binh Xuyen now reinforced by troops of another private army controlled by the Hoa Hao sect.

The green-bellied Binh Xuyen maintain strong forces at key points in the centre of Saigon and its twin city of Cholon. But their main body was reported forming up outside the city in the maze of waterways and rice paddies that stretch down to the sea.

The private armies, radio station said tonight that Gen. Ngo Dinh Diem, like Gen. Mohammed Naguib in Egypt, had been superseded by an extremist revolutionary military junta.

It appealed to the United States to help form a legal Government of national unity quickly to prevent South Vietnam from crumbling into civil war endangering all Southeast Asia.

STOP SUPPORT PLEA

They asked President Eisenhower to stop support Diem and added: "We want urgently a solution in which there is neither victor nor vanquished."

The radio reported that "Pope" Pham Cong Tac of the Cao Dai religion had sent fully-equipped Cao Dai troops to join the Binh Xuyen and Hoa Hao forces.

This idea was first news that Cao Dai forces were still fighting with the private armies and had not followed their Commander-in-Chief, General Nguyen Thanh Phuong, over to the side of the government.

Most Cao Dai troops are away from Saigon and probably away from Gen. Phuong's influence.

The private armies radio was fainter today and appeared to have been moved further away from Saigon. —France Press and Reuter.

May Day Border  
Incident

Tel-Aviv, May 1. An Israeli Army spokesman tonight reported a May Day incident on the Gaza Strip border between Egyptian and Israeli guards on the border.

The spokesman said the incident occurred when Egyptian Army positions opened strong automatic arms against an Israeli patrol at Gaza.

The patrol returned the fire. There were no casualties on the Israeli side, the spokesman said. —France Press.

US Strikes  
Assume  
Threatening  
Note

New York, May 1.

Strikes of railway and telephone workers in the southern states entered their eighth week on a tense note today and other labour disputes loomed threateningly on the national scene.

Fears of violence spread in the south following a dynamite explosion yesterday which destroyed a Southern Bell telephone relay company station, near Chester, North Carolina, and more damage to cable was reported in many places.

The telephone strike is over terms of a new contract.

In this strike against the big Louisville and Nashville Railway, officials reported the dynamiting of a bridge in Alabama last Friday.

STRIKE SPREADS

The strike spread during the weekend to another rail company in Kentucky and pickets interrupted service on a third railway in Birmingham, Alabama.

The rail dispute is over a welfare and pension fund.

National Labour officials are mediating.

American workers were warned yesterday that a nationwide railway strike was probable if current negotiations in Chicago did not bring a settlement.

The warning came from the leader of the Railway Conductors' and Brakemen's Union, whose representatives will negotiate with the management tomorrow on their pay claims.

CRITICAL MONTH

In Detroit, labour experts saw a critical month ahead in bargaining talks between unions and the management of General Motors and Ford, the two largest motor car companies.

The United Automobile Workers contracts with the two companies will end in the first week of June.

Observers said the issue was this union's unprecedented plan for a guaranteed annual wage by the industry. —Reuter.

A SUSPECT IS ARRESTED



Morrison Applauds  
US Policy Change

London, May 1.

Mr Herbert Morrison, the former Labour Foreign Secretary, said tonight the British labour movement urged all governments genuinely to co-operate "for the promotion and protection of the peace of the world, and for general disarmament, including putting out of action the atomic and hydrogen bomb."

He was speaking at a May Day Labour demonstration at Leeds.

Mr Morrison declared that he was glad to see there were signs of a change of policy in both the United States and China which might ease the situation in the Far East.

It was interesting to note that Mr Adlai Stevenson in dealing with Formosa and the offshore islands took almost exactly the same line that the British Labour Party had been taking all the way through.

Now, surprising as it might seem, Mr Eisenhower and the Secretary of State (Mr John Foster Dulles) showed signs of following the Stevenson line and of coming to a settlement which he (Mr Morrison) hoped both China and America would accept.

This would mean Formosa becoming a United Nations protectorate and the people of Formosa by plebiscite or otherwise deciding what their own future should be.

Mr Morrison added that one of the possible virtues of the United States was that they could change their opinion, and he welcomed the signs which were reported this weekend of modifications of American opinion in the direction which the British Labour Party had been urging all the time.

BEVAN'S ALLEGATION

Mr Aneurin Bevan, leader of left-wing elements in the Labour Party, told an audience of 2,000 at Newcastle tonight that many Conservatives were now beginning to say that they had never trusted their former leader, Sir Winston Churchill.

Speaking after marching a mile through the rain in the

CHOU AND HO  
TALKING?

Tokyo, May 1.

Speculation is gaining ground among competent observers that the fact the Chinese Premier Chou En-lai, who flew into Kuning last Friday from the Bandung Conference, still remains in the Yunnanese capital, could be linked with possible important talks he might be having with Ho Chi-minh, leader of the North Vietnamese State.

These observers pointed out that Ho Chi-minh was a notable absentee from the May Day celebrations held in Hanoi today. They believed if this speculation proves correct, it was possible to expect an important joint political declaration by China and Vietnam on the situation in South Vietnam.

—France Press.

Woman's  
Death  
Mystifies  
Police

Hollywood, May 1. Birgit Johansson, 26, a statuesque Swedish blonde who once claimed she was romantically linked with Olympic track star Mal Whitfield, was found dead in her apartment under strange circumstances, police reported today.

Detective Sgt. E. V. Jackson said Miss Johansson, a Hollywood bank bookkeeper who was the daughter of a Stockholm contractor, apparently was the victim of an operation.

"It looks like she died to death from an operation," Jackson said, "but we won't know for sure until an autopsy tomorrow." Police said the former Swedish schoolteacher was found dead in her apartment by a man identified as Sam Laxer, 23, who told officers he was a friend of hers.

ROMANCE DENIED

Miss Johansson, who came to Hollywood a year ago, announced last Dec. 12 that she would marry Whitfield, who, at the time, was on an international goodwill tour.

Two days later, Whitfield denied they were engaged, she also admitted they were not engaged.

Both she and Whitfield's relatives denied there was anything to her announcement of the romance. Her father is a Stockholm builder Axel Johansson.

Police said Miss Johansson's apartment was adorned with action photographs of Whitfield and souvenirs from the 1952 Olympics in Stockholm in which Whitfield competed.

MET AT GAMES

Whitfield's brother-in-law, Horace P. Clark, said Miss Johansson and Whitfield met during the Helsinki games, but never dated.

The landlord of the Swedish beauty's apartment, Thomas Ball, told police Miss Johansson left the apartment on Friday with a man wearing a goatee and returned about two-and-a-half hours later with a red-haired woman. It was the last time he saw Miss Johansson alive, Ball said. —United Press.

SECOND VICTIM

Boise, Idaho, May 1. A second child inoculated with Salk's anti-polio vaccine made by the Cutter Laboratories died on Sunday. It was announced here today.

The death occurred at a Spokane hospital in the State of Washington. —France Press.

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# Peron not fighting the church

## PEOPLE MUST MAKE DECISIONS ABOUT ITS FUTURE

Buenos Aires, May 1. President Juan Peron told a May Day rally today that the question of separation of Church and State in Argentina was a "decision which must be made by the people."

He denied that his Government had launched a "fight" against the Roman Catholic Church, to which 90 per cent of the people belong.

"This is not a matter for a fight," he said. "The problem boils down to a decision which must be taken by the people. And the people and their representatives have the last word."

"If they decide that the Church must stay, it will stay. If they decide the Church must be separated, it will be separated."

**AMENDMENT REQUIRED**

President Peron had been expected to make a definite statement on the controversy. Formal separation of the Church and State will require a constitutional amendment.

In another part of his brief address, the President declared: "Fellow workers, we have faced more powerful international forces before without fear. The Republic is united in its determination to be respected."

"As President, it is my duty to defend the nation against any outside interference and I carry out that duty to the letter with all the necessary energy."

The Secretary-General of the General Confederation of Workers (CGT), Eduardo Vuelich, spoke first amidst shouts of "Peron yes, the priests no."

He paid homage to Peron's late wife, Eva, and then began a long and lashing attack on "clerical infiltration" in Argentina.

"History is repeating itself," he said. "The priests continue to protect the interests of the rich rather than guard the interests of the poor."

He promised that the CGT would ask for separation of Church and State.

**SPIRIT AND SOUL**

In an earlier address to Congress, President Peron said there were people who believed the Government should have nothing to do "with the spirit and soul of the people."

He said such persons denied the legitimate right of the Government to "raise the culture of the people" but the Government had that right — United Press.

## INDIA OPENS TRAINING CAMPS

New Delhi, May 1.

Thirty-four military training camps, designed to train "citizen army" of half a million men within five years, were opened today all over India.

The target is to train 100,000 volunteers annually. The camps will give basic military training to batches of volunteers between the ages of 18 to 40 for a period of one month.

The Defence Minister, Dr K. N. Katju, opening one of the camps, today said the training of the new national volunteer force was not so much for the defence of the country as to inculcate a feeling of discipline and self-reliance among the people — Reuters.

## Relations Favourable

Johannesburg, May 1.

Mr Adlai Stevenson, Democratic candidate in the last American Presidential elections told Agence-France-Press in an exclusive interview here today that he thought the question of racial relations was progressing favourably in Africa.

Mr Stevenson, who spoke on his arrival here by plane from Salisbury in the Rhodesian Federation said the world's most important problem today was racial relations and the situation in Africa was progressing favourably.

He said he meant relations among Europeans, Africans and Asians in Africa — France-Press.

# 100,000 Lims Hold Family Reunion

Singapore, May 1.

On the birthday of the family's patron goddess of the sea, Lim Bek, over a thousand of Singapore's 100,000 members of the Lim family held a great banquet at the Lim Temple last week.

They had reason to celebrate—for there are six Lims in the newly-elected Government of Singapore.

# Blood Earns Extra Pocket Money

Singapore, May 1.

Singapore officials and social organisations were up in arms last week after a Singapore paper published an article on the newest racket — literally, blood money.

It was found that schoolboys were selling their blood to unscrupulous doctors for pocket money—to go to the movies and buy cigarettes. One boy reportedly boasted that he had sold his blood three times in three weeks to earn some extra money.

The practice is not illegal here, but it is frowned upon officially.

Authorities pointed out that the local blood bank was always in need of blood donations which were given free of charge to patients needing it.

Some private doctors are reported paying sums approaching the pre-war rate—18 Straits dollars (about US\$6)—for each blood purchase, and selling blood transfusions to their patients at exorbitant rates.

Medical sources claimed this same insidious practice was rife in Hongkong — France-Press.

## SALES REPORTED

Dr the Hon. K. C. Yeo, Director of Medical and Health Services, said this morning that the Medical Department have received now and then reports regarding sale of blood to private doctors.

He stressed that the Red Cross blood is given free to the public. He also said the Authorities tried to prevent cases of sale and purchase of blood when such cases occurred in the Government hospitals.

There is no law against the selling and purchase of blood, but the public is reminded that the Red Cross blood is given to the public free of charge.

## POP

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# US Executive In London

Mr Lewis Strauss, Chairman of the US Atomic Energy Commission, shown with his wife at London Airport. He was visiting Britain to study Britain's approach to the peaceful uses of atomic power. — Reutersphoto.

## BANNISTER UPSETS ALPS GUIDES

Basle, May 1.

Mountain guides protested after Dr Roger Bannister and two friends climbed the 13,000ft Finsteraarhorn, one of the most dangerous in the Swiss Alps, without expert help. One guide said: "This kind of thing is close to suicide. They are very lucky to be back."

**SIX HOURS**

Dr Bannister put on skis for the first time about a week ago. His companions, Mr John Tyson, a master of Rugby, and Mr Christopher Brasher, an Olympic official and former British Olympic steeplechaser, were also novices.

Dr Bannister said he has never climbed a major mountain peak before, but the other two had some experience. The three climbers said they reached the summit after a six-hour climb from the highest refuge. The return, partly on skis, took four hours. They said conditions were difficult and extremely cold.

## Kim Denounces United States

London, May 1.

The Premier of North Korea, Kim Il Sung, in a May Day order, denounced the United States for "flagrant violation" of the Korean armistice and for the expansion of the Syngman Rhee army, the New China News Agency reported.

The Premier said the people of North Korea with joint Soviet aid had rapidly restored their war-wrecked economy and he urged all the soldiers of the Korean people's army to raise their ideological level and to improve their fighting technique in preparation for foreign aggression — Reuters.

## Explorer Dies

Genoa, May 1.

Arctic explorer Mario Tenani, 68, who took part in the 1927 North Pole expedition of General Umberto Nobile, died here today of an undisclosed illness.

He was one of Italy's leading experts on oceanography, geophysics and earth magnetism — United Press.

## Peace May Come To The Faroes

Copenhagen, May 1.

Political circles here believed today that the Klaksvig (Faroe Islands) dispute will be settled peacefully.

Klaksvig islanders announced by radio tonight they were removing the barrage thrown across the harbour after the Danish Government had attempted forcibly to remove the islanders' Dr O. Halverson.

It was understood here that the Danish Finance Minister, who has been negotiating on the islands and is due back here by air tomorrow evening, has managed to establish a compromise plan. This will be discussed at a cabinet meeting on Tuesday.

The general strike announced on the Faroe Islands for tomorrow following the dispute concerning the Danish Government's wish to remove the islanders' Dr O. Halverson, was called off today.

Earlier islanders had announced by radio they would remove the barrage they had sunk in the harbour to prevent ships coming in to take the doctor off.

As a result of these two moves, political circles here believed the dispute would be settled peacefully — France-Press.

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# AUSTRIAN STATE TREATY

POPE WITH  
SCIENTISTS

## PAKISTAN DEMANDS CONSULATES CLOSE In Quetta And Peshawar

Karachi, May 1.

Mr Mohammed Ali, Pakistani Prime Minister, announced tonight that his Government had decided to demand the closure of the Afghan Consulates in Quetta and Peshawar.

Pakistan has already evacuated diplomats, wives and children from Afghanistan and closed its Consulate at Jalalabad following riots outside the Pakistan Embassy in Kabul, the Afghan capital, and the Jalalabad and Kandahar consular offices.

(In New Delhi today, Lieutenant-Colonel Gopal Abdel Nasser, the Egyptian Prime Minister, said he had offered to mediate in the dispute and hoped to arrange a meeting between the Afghan and Pakistani authorities.)—Reuter.

### RESULT OF TENSION

The riots were a result of tension following Pakistan's announcement in March that the Pathan tribal areas on the Northwest frontier would be merged into West Pakistan.

Afghanistan is supporting a claim that the area should be formed into a separate state to be called Pushtunistan.

## SAAR DEAL OVER STEEL

Paris, May 1. M. Antoine Pinay, French Foreign Minister, said here today on arrival from Bonn, where he negotiated an agreement on the Saar with the West German Chancellor, Dr. Adenauer, yesterday, that the Saar steel mills would be returned to the French.

He added, however, that the new society which would be formed would have French and German directors, representing private interests, and that the firm had been given an option to buy the Roehrig family's share.

This share, he stated, totalled 200,000,000 Swiss Francs or roughly \$50,000,000. — France-Press.

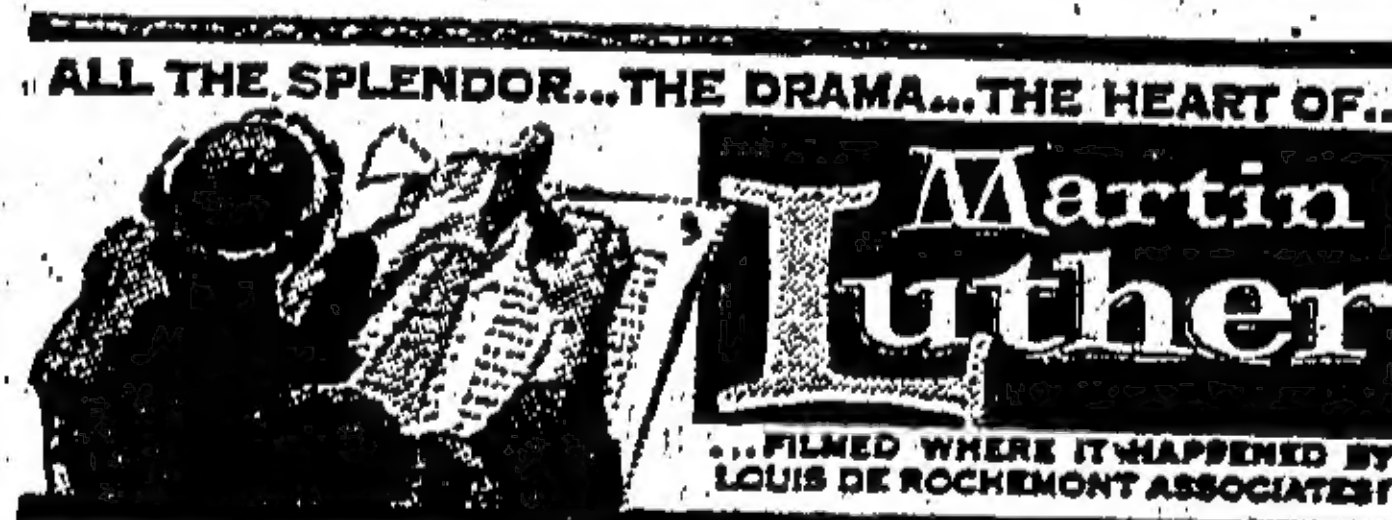


Harry  
Odell  
says

Au revoir lovely Hong Kong. At 5 p.m. today my better half and I leave by N.W.A. for a jaunt around the world. I would be lacking in good manners if I did not say thank you to all those who helped me in the presentation of my great artists and to assure them and our growing community that I go in search for more. Meantime, remember the "EMPIRE" as the landmark of good entertainment. Au revoir and good luck.

## ROXY & BROADWAY

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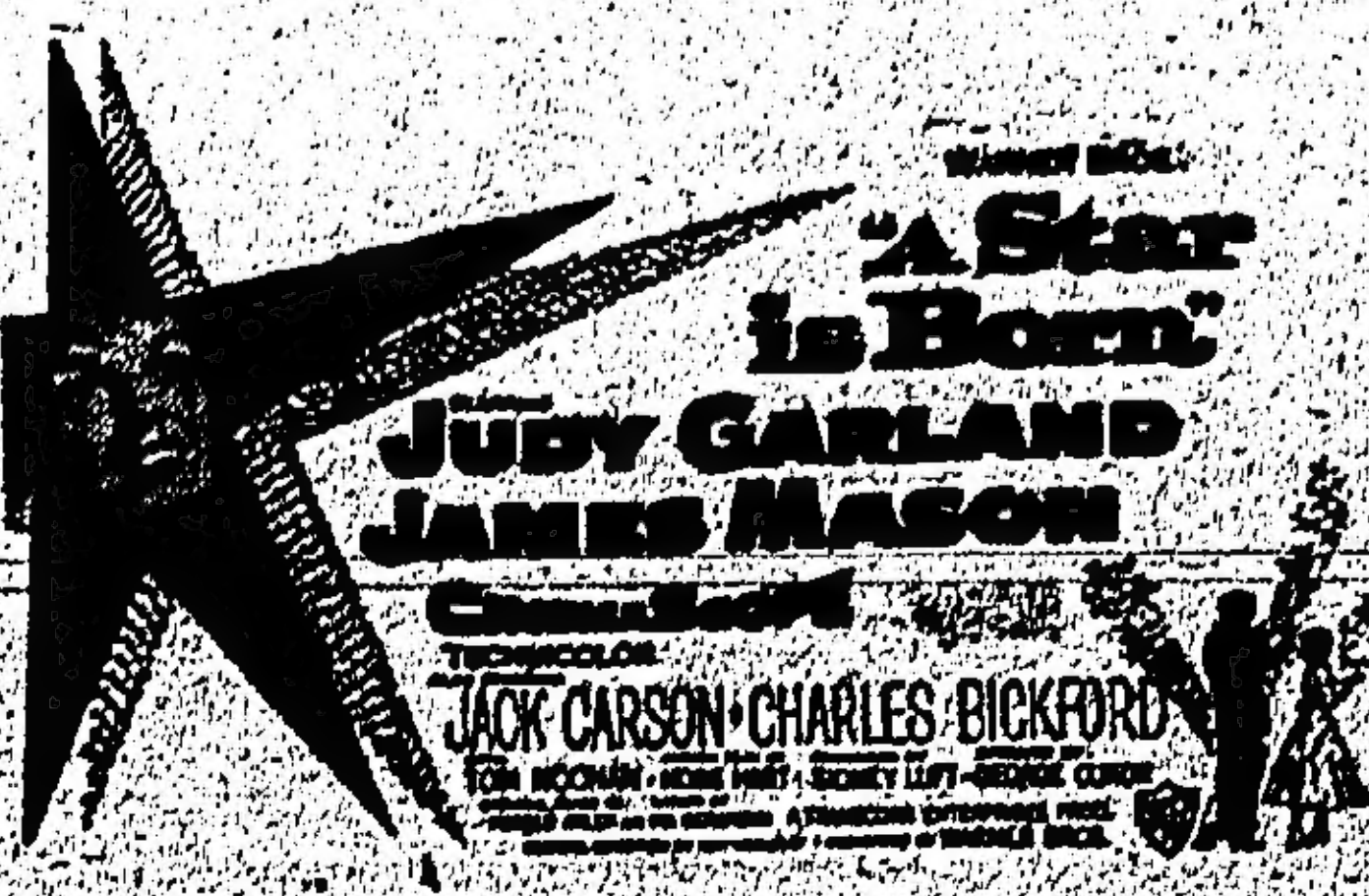
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## May Day Speakers Hope Pact Will Be Signed Next Week CONFIDENCE GROWS

Vienna, May 1.

As the moment for the opening here of the Ambassadors' conference to prepare for the signing of a state treaty for Austria comes nearer, the optimism of the Austrians grows greater.

Austrian May Day speakers today expressed the hope that the preparatory work for the treaty would be over in a week at most and that everything would be ready for the signature of the treaty by May 12 to 15—the time most convenient for the Western Foreign Ministers to come to Vienna to sign.

The Russians were said to be most optimistic of all. They have told Allied officials here that they think the whole work of the preparatory conference should be over in three days. The matter rests largely with them and the work can be done very quickly if they raise no objections. This was taken by the Austrians to be a good sign.

### FAIRLY UNANIMOUS

The Austrians are fairly unanimous, however, that they do not want the treaty which will be the basis of their freedom, spoiled by undue haste.

In Western diplomatic circles it was said today that the main points the Austrians were expected to raise at the Ambassadors' meeting were:

1. That they want a Four-Power guarantee of their independence given clearly and in such a way as to prevent any possibility of unilateral action or interference in their internal affairs.

2. That they want certain clauses changed—above all the military clauses which limit the size of the Austrian army to 50,000 men. They say that neutrality such as is now demanded of them needs a stronger national force than would be necessary if Austria were allowed to make military alliances.

3. They want outdated clauses removed as the Russians promised they should be in Moscow.

4. They want to be assured that the right of asylum which the Austrian constitution grants to refugees from other lands coming here shall not be annulled by the provisions of article 16 of the draft treaty which might be construed to mean that such refugees must be sent back to Hungary, Czechoslovakia or Rumania.—Reuter.

## China Exports Bicycles To Singapore

Singapore, May 1.

Singapore recently received from Communist China the first shipment of bicycles and sewing machines which were imported by a Colony firm against indent.

The goods, together with the recent influx of over 1,000,000 square yards of cotton piece-goods from Shanghai into Singapore, formed part of Red China's export drive for markets in Southeast Asian territories, according to traders here.

The 22-inch "Made in China" bicycles, priced at \$78 (Straits), bore the "Star" brand and were modelled along German-made ones. The manufacturer's name was given as Sin Hwa (New China) Factory, Shanghai.

### TWO TYPES

The sewing machines were of two types—hand and treadle models—which also were made in Shanghai.

Traders here believed that Communist China was out to compete in Southeast Asian markets with her manufactured goods the prices of which compared favourably with British and Japanese goods. They indicated that Shanghai piece-goods, which were sold in Singapore at extremely competitive prices, had already started pushing out Japanese textiles from the Colony market.—France-Press.



## INVITATION TO CHINA Mohammed Ali Accepts Offer

Karachi, May 1.

Mr Mohammed Ali, Premier of Pakistan, said today he had accepted an invitation from Chinese Communist Premier Chou En-lai to visit China.

Mr Ali, speaking in his "First of the Month" radio broadcast, said the date of the visit would be fixed later, after consultations between the two governments.

### FRIENDLY RELATIONS

He said he hoped his visit to Peking would encourage friendly relations existing between Pakistan and China.

Mr Ali said the "friendly and long" talk he had had with Mr. Chou En-lai at the Asian-African Bandung conference had not only helped friendly relations between the two countries but had also helped to "promote the cause of peace."

Mr Ali said the acceptance by the Bandung conference of his seven-point programme would help in the settlement of outstanding disputes between India and Pakistan, such as the Kashmir and canal waters questions and the refugee problem.

The Pakistan programme called for settlement of international issues by negotiation, mediation and arbitration.—France-Press.

### Klang, May 1.

Six hunters last week sent their dogs into the jungle to drive out a wild boar.

The dogs came back in a hurry—pursued by a tiger. "We were surprised," admitted the hunters.

Four of them sat at once and the tiger—an eight-foot-long, 320-pound male—fell dead at their feet.—France-Press.

## Police Charge Millworkers Procession

New Delhi, May 1.

MA Jawaharlal Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, told a May Day rally in Delhi today that employers and workers must try to solve disputes by peaceful means. Lockouts and strikes would harm the country's interests, he said.

The Prime Minister was speaking on the eve of one of the grimmest strike threats India has faced since she achieved independence. At the textile mills at Kanpur (Cawnpore) 50,000 workers are due to start a general strike tomorrow in protest against the introduction of modern machinery in the mills under a rationalisation scheme.

Yesterday 150 local labour leaders were arrested at Kanpur in an attempt to prevent the strike. About 40 people were reported injured when police charged a millworkers' procession.

The rally at Delhi today was organised by the Congress Party's Indian National Trades Union Congress.

Before Mr Nehru arrived at the Congress rally a resolution was adopted that the minimum monthly wage in the country should be 100 rupees (21 shillings) and the maximum 1,200 rupees (292 shillings).—Reuter.

## Ghulam Mohammed Postpones Elections

Karachi, May 1.

Mr Ghulam Mohammed, Governor-General of Pakistan, today decided to postpone the forthcoming elections to a new constituent convention.

The convention was to have met at Murree, a small Himalayan holiday resort, on May 10.

The elections will now be postponed until the Federal Court decides on the legality of the Governor-General's original order, an official announcement said.—France-Press.

## Community Run By Women

Kuala Lumpur, May 1.

KUALA LUMPUR'S Municipal Council, Mrs. Chua Mah-banua, D.O. M. A. L. told a Rotary meeting here recently of one of Malaysia's oldest social systems where women and men run by women.

This is a matriarchal society in Negri Sembilan, in Malaysia's west coast, where the women rule the roost and run the

hills—and the men are quite content. Since the 16th century, property can only be inherited by women. Every girl at birth is assured of a house and a plot of land, which she formally inherits on her wedding day.

The men's role contributing to the welfare of the community, he explained. "This rule him very well—no hits, no

smoother words. All he has to do is to move in with his suitcase, for marriage automatically brings him a lifetime occupation."

And does the system work? "Of course—just look at the proof. It has survived for 400 years, and no one in Negri Sembilan wants it to change," the speaker pointed out.—France-Press.

## ELEPHANTS STAMPEDE

Paris, May 1.

Big-game hunters have discovered 24 dead elephants lying at the foot of a 150 feet cliff in the Nainderre region—in the French Cameroons.

The hunters came across a huge mound of decaying flesh after tracking down a strong smell of decay for more than a mile.

A careful look around explained the meaning of the strange bush drama. The other side of the cliff showed traces of a recent forest fire. Stamped into a mad flight by the fire, the elephants plunged over the edge of the cliff.—China Mail Special.

## LOVE BY ANOTHER NAME

Kuala Lumpur, May 1.

Love among the terrorists in the Malayan jungles is to be called "psychological hygiene," says a pamphlet discovered in one of the Communist hide-outs recently.

Intellectuals have begun to object to the use of "vulgar and rowdy" terms in connection with their female comrades, so Ya Ting, Communist political writer, has drawn up a code of "dignified" terminology published in the terrorist publication called Torch.

### PASSION FILMS

Ya Ting sharply criticises the comrades for their use of "hackneyed phrases of imperialist 'passion' films."

He advises them to eschew vulgar physiological terms but suggests "explodes an atom bomb" as a polite circumlocution for a female companion who submits to one of her male comrades' advances.

Ya Ting also scolds the more elderly male comrades for their interest in the "ability to cast" (make love). He thinks they should keep their minds on more important things—like terrorism.—France-Press.

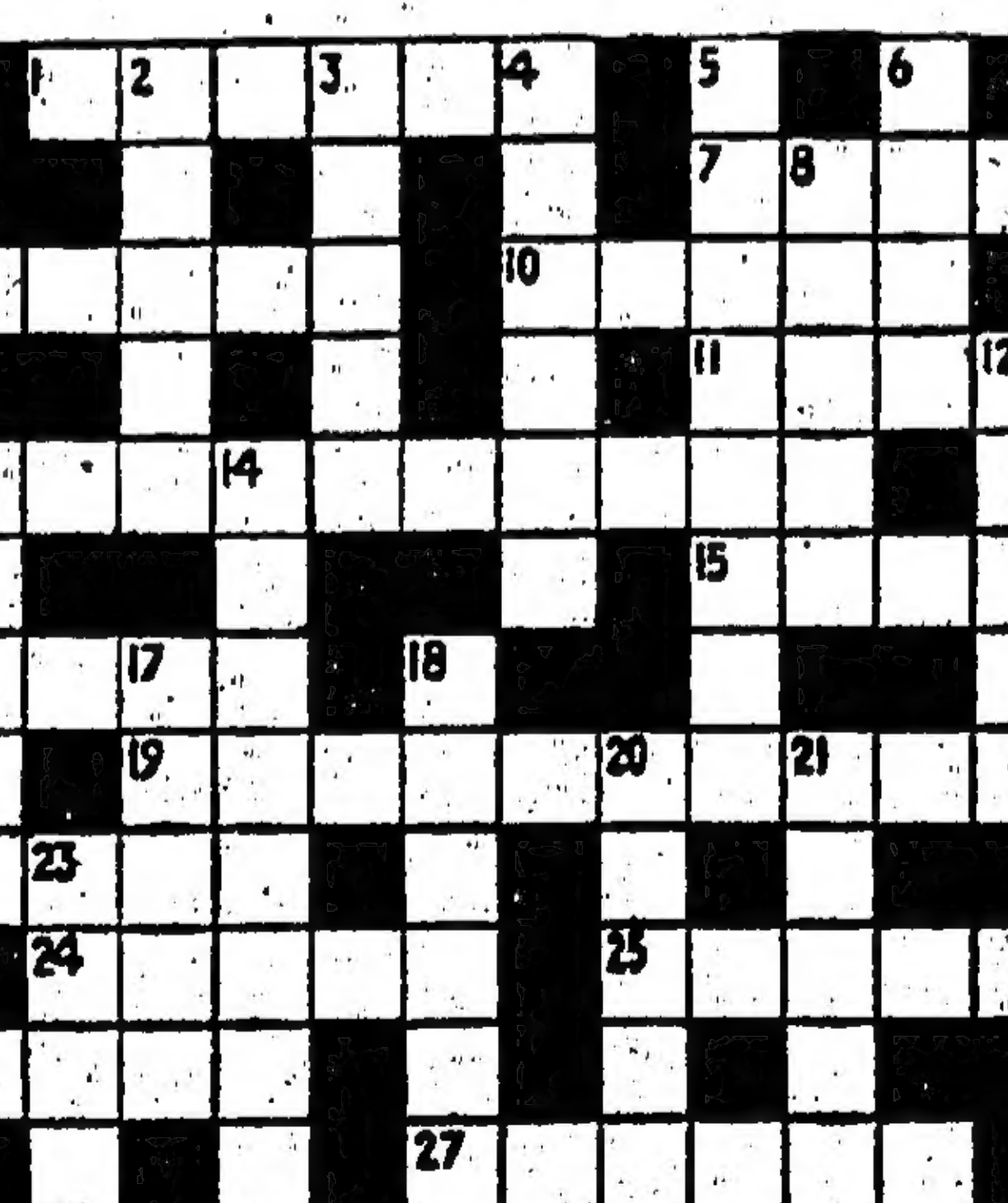
## DOG'S LUCK

Wellington, May 1.

An electric train screeches to a halt as a dog plunged off a station platform seemingly under its wheels.

It crawled out unhurt as the train halted. The dog will probably never appreciate its luck in striking the automatic brake on the train as it fell.—China Mail Special.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



### ACROSS

- 1 Flower (6)
- 7 Bible character (4)
- 9 Coalition (5)
- 10 Animal (5)
- 11 Helps (4)
- 13 Competitor (10)
- 15 Transaction (4)
- 16 Wander (4)
- 19 Downcast (10)
- 22 Entrance (4)
- 24 Award (5)
- 25 Despatched (4)
- 27 Communism (6)

### DOWN

- 2 Foreigner (5)
- 3 Weapon (5)
- 4 Apparitions (6)
- 5 Put back to allow further inquiry (8)
- 6 Unyielding (4)
- 8 Set of rooms (5)
- 12 Crack (5)
- 13 Healed (5)
- 14 Restless (6)
- 17 Bedeck (5)
- 18 Come into view (6)
- 20 Wanderer (5)
- 21 Surpass (5)
- 23 Frank (4)

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Tussle, 4 Trick, 7 Enlist, 8 Clean, 10 Otto, 12 Relatives, 15 Trail, 16 Sore, 17 Used, 19 Defer, 20 Mariner, 21 Drug, 23 Sprat, 24 Camera, 25 Drays, 26 Bustle, Down: 1 Hoofbeats, 2 Spatter, 3 List, 6 Release, 8 Crater, 9 Defer, 11 Ordinary, 12 Rider, 18 Terrorist, 14 Sergeant, 16 Sapper, 22 Saps.



# Britain's Ambassador Of Music

By GERARD BOURKE

**D**URING the last century Britain was known to Continental audiences as "The Land without Music." The epithet was partly deserved, since until the undulating Gloucestershire countryside produced Sir Edward Elgar, Britain had no composer to place near such figures as Wagner, Verdi, Mahler or Bruckner. But today British music occupies a prominent position, with composers such as Sir William Walton, Sir Arthur Bliss and Benjamin Britten winning world-wide recognition.

Unlike literature, music must be interpreted, and British music would not be nearly so well known abroad were it not for the untiring efforts on its behalf by Sir Malcolm Sargent, whose sixtieth birthday fell on April 29. He shared it with an equally famous British conductor, Sir Thomas Beecham, who was 73.

Sir Malcolm Sargent has rightly been dubbed Britain's musical ambassador, since he has conducted concerts, always including a high proportion of modern British music, in places as distant as New Zealand and Australia, North and South America, Cape Town, Scandinavia, Jerusalem, Tokyo and Oslo.

## Happiest Days

Born at Stamford in Lincolnshire, he first had an opportunity to conduct when a local opera society presented an opera by Gilbert and Sullivan. Watching his easy command, the singers little suspected that the 14-year-old choirboy would later conduct the same opera for the famous D'Oyly Carte company and record it authoritatively.

At 16, he became assistant organist at Peterborough Cathedral. "These were among the happiest days of my life," he has remarked. Days spent learning by heart the entire organ works of J. S. Bach, studying also the piano, and rehearsing the choir.

It is, in fact, as a choral conductor that Sir Malcolm Sargent received his first distinctions, and the performances he gives today as permanent conductor of the Royal Choral Society are among his greatest achievements. (This august body was formed, strangely enough, by Charles Gounod on one of his visits to London, and recently gave its 1,000th concert.)

A short, dapper figure, Sir Malcolm enters wearing a red, or white, carnation, and with sweeping gestures begins their concert with the British national anthem, sung in a special arrangement made by Sir Edward Elgar. And it is the work that follows is his great oratorio "The Dream of Gerontius." Sir Malcolm is particularly happy, since he has named it his favourite music along with Handel's "Messiah."

After watching him conduct a faithful reading of one of his works, Sir Edward Elgar once remarked, deeply moved: "As long as Sargent is alive I have no fear that my choral works will be misunderstood."

During the First World War he joined the Durham Light Infantry, and afterwards he took his degree as Doctor of Music, becoming the youngest in the country. He also began studying the piano seriously with the distinguished player, Benno Moiseiwitsch.

## Chief Conductor

Since the death of Sir Henry Wood, founder and brilliant organiser of London's promenade concerts, his place has been taken as chief conductor by Sir Malcolm Sargent. It was at one of these remarkable concerts that he first conducted in public his own composition, "Impressions on a Windy Day" in 1921, at the invitation of Sir Henry Wood. When he later saw him conduct the first performance of Walton's "Belshazzar's Feast" with which he is now especially associated, Sir Henry Wood advised him to devote all his time to this branch of his art.

Once launched on these lines, he advanced swiftly, conducting Russian ballet seasons, the old British National Opera Company, as well as regular appearances at the Royal Opera House. Then suddenly it appeared that he had overtaxed his strength through his unbounded enthusiasm, and he was ordered to spend a year resting in Switzerland.

When free to return to music, he showed that his enforced separation had only increased his powers. In common with other leading musicians, he gave his services freely during the war, conducting concerts to help ease the burden of those working long hours in industry. "I gave them Mozart symphonies in secret places. They loved it, and went back to stuff in more TNT," he observes wryly.

## Loves Children

Today as conductor of the British Broadcasting Corporation's Symphony Orchestra, where he succeeded Sir Adrian Boult, he occupies one of the leading positions in British musical life. But though music is, of course, his pastime as well as his job, he still finds time for other pleasures.

A great animal lover, he is a Fellow of the Royal Zoological Society and goes regularly to London's zoo. At home, in his beautiful flat next to the matronly Royal Albert Hall, setting of the promenade concerts, he always finds time to play with his pet blue budgerigar, Hughie.

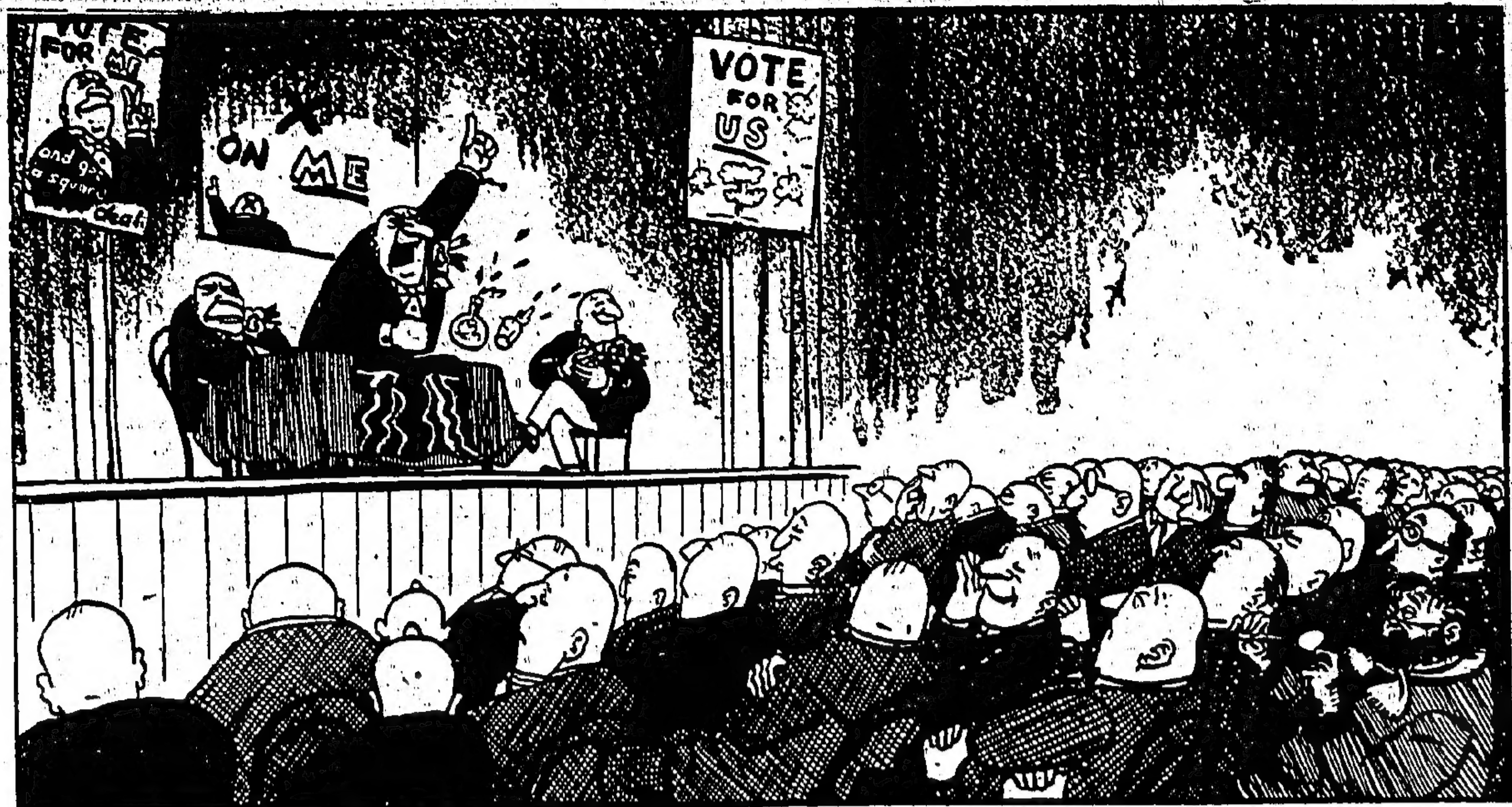
His love of children finds practical expression through his frequent children's concerts, often in conjunction with Sir Robert Mayer, who is engaged in engaging talks. These are always simple, yet never condescending in approach, just as he believes that good musical music will always win their young hearts to music.

Recently there was a sad example of his affection for them. For some years he had arranged that a crippled boy of 12 should be taken to concerts or enabled to hear them relayed.

He had given him hope through music during a long fatal illness. When the boy died, it was seen he had left Sir Malcolm a small legacy expressly to pay for the carnation he inevitably wears.

Critics have accused Sir Malcolm of overdriving his orchestra on occasions. Be that as it may, his performances, especially of choral music and modern works are often brilliant. His manner and dress have earned him the nickname "Flash Harry" but this he accepts good-humouredly as it is intended.

His 60th birthday was spent conducting his Royal Choral Society in Coleridge-Taylor's "Hawatha." And he may reflect on his rich life of music, on which he has observed, "Providence has been exceedingly kind to me. My vocation has brought me continual happiness, has led me into many beautiful places, and given me enduring and valued friendships."



"I like the way they tell you how they're going to grind their opponents in the dust in the same breath that they ask you to elect them as 'a man of peace.'"

London Express Service

# RINGS ON HER FINGERS

**I** HAD been shopping all the morning and decided that I would lunch at my favourite large store, where the restaurant is bright and attractive and not too crowded.

I went into the cloakroom to wash, looked round for the attendant, whom I knew quite well, and concluded that she must have gone for her lunch as her usual chair was empty.

There were two other women shoppers: I did not notice either of them particularly. As I filled the basin I saw that someone had left three rings lying at the side of the basin.

I picked them up. They were good rings—half hoop of diamonds, sapphire and diamond, and a single diamond.

I glanced round the room. One of the women had gone, the

other was just going. I slipped the rings into my inside pocket, finished washing, and when the attendant returned, told her of my find and asked her to send anyone who claimed the rings up to the restaurant, where I should be for the next half-hour, if no one came I would deposit the rings with the manager.

I went up to the restaurant, told the manageress about the rings, then sat down to have my lunch.

## 'Not yours'

I was finishing my first poached egg on toast when a woman came up to my table and asked excitedly, "Oh, have you got my rings?"

I said: "Would you describe them to me, please?"

She was young, and obviously nervous and excited, and she appeared to resent my question, for her face flushed and her voice rose a little. "Are you trying to imply that they aren't my rings?"

# GUARD AGAINST VACCINE SPIES

From NEWELL ROGERS

**NEW YORK CITY** is out to prevent the spies from taking over the Salk infantile paralysis vaccine for the black market.

Mayor Robert Wagner ordered his Department of Investigation, Department of Health, and Corporation Counsel jointly to investigate the problem of setting up regulations against over-charges and black marketing of vaccine.

The trouble is that there is not enough vaccine to go around for all the parents who want their children vaccinated immediately.

An outbreak of polio anywhere in the country could make black marketing profitable for the spies.

New York City alone is ordering 600,000 cubic centimetres of vaccine. It will be used for children in the most susceptible age groups who will not get free "shots" at school.

**BIGGEST** thrill of Miss Marilyn Monroe's appearance in an "art house" TV show put on by commentator Edward R. Murrow came after the show was over. For one hour she played the great film star in a tight-fitting costume for an artistic TV camera crew.

Why were they so ecstatic? For the first time the boys allowed them to bring along their own still camera. And here was the sultry Miss Monroe modelling "free of charge" for their family album.

Other women interviewed in Ed Murrow's show have had to wear tiny microphones in their gowns. Miss Monroe refused. Her costume was too tight. She did not want to bulge in the wrong places.

So they concealed a microphone on the table in front of her.

**THE U.S. Army** has again been caught practising the old "string saving" habits that send economy-minded Congressmen's blood pressure up. This time they concerned a lot of surplus nail-clippers for dogs and a warehouse full of giraffes that lost their stretch. Expensive storage charges are involved, too.

To add to the quartermasters' embarrassment, unfeeling critics raked up all the Army's old boarding practices down through the years: the case of soap dating back to the civil war in 1865, the packages of ramrods for muskets also dating to that period, the solid silver finger bowls for admirals, the row upon row of horse-drawn ambulances.

**THE Republican Administration** declined with thanks the gift of a sailing sloop once used by President Roosevelt.

It was offered for the use of naval cadets, and would cost 600 dollars to re-condition.

So admirals of F.D.R. have started to raise funds and bombard the Secretary of the Navy with demands that he accept the boat.



She was young and obviously nervous and excited, and she appeared to resent my question.

"I'm trying to protect your—or someone else's property," I said.

"I think that you're being very rude and well, there's a half-hoop of diamonds—an emerald and diamond—and—"

she paused, "and—I think that I wore my opal—yes, an opal. Now, kindly give me my rings."

"I'm afraid that they aren't your rings."

"I tell you they are! This is intolerable, I'm very well known in this shop—the manager is a friend of my husband's. I shall report the matter to him and see what he says about it!"

"I shall see him myself when I've finished my meal," I told her. "If no one has claimed the rings by that time I shall leave them with him."

She turned and frowned away, evidently very angry, and I congratulated myself that I had at least safeguarded someone's property.

I had reached the coffee stage when an elderly woman—tall, well dressed—came to my table and said very quietly, "I believe that you found some rings in the cloakroom—the attendant told me when I went to look for them. It was shamefully careless of me."

"There is" a half-hoop—a my engagement ring—a single-stone diamond, and a sapphire and diamond. They are all set in platinum, except the half-hoop."

**Heavy weather**

She had a pleasant voice, and I asked if she would take coffee with me. She said that she would have been delighted, but she was meeting her husband in the carpet department in five minutes' time. So I handed over the rings, which she put in the inside pocket of her bag, because she was wearing gloves and did not want to pull them off.

"I hate wearing gloves," she told me. "I make such heavy weather putting them on. I hate the seams to twist and get all crooked. Well, again a thousand thanks. I can't tell you how grateful I am, and—"

She hesitated, "would you let me send you some flowers, just to show how grateful I am? I should like to so much."

Suddenly, I heard a voice which almost amounted to a scream. Before me stood the woman who had first come to claim her rings—rings which I remembered were not hers at all. I thought, "Now this is going to be difficult."

She said excitedly, "Oh, imagine seeing you here! Do you remember me—the day I wanted you to give me those rings? I was so annoyed at the manager said: 'That's right. I saw her husband, Jack Manning. He told me about it. No, the trouble began with the other lady.'"

"I remember her distinctly—tall, middle-aged, pleasant voice. She described the rings accurately. Was most grateful. In fact, insisted on sending me flowers the next day."

Durbin asked: "She didn't put her name with them, did she?"

The manager said: "That's right. I saw her husband, Jack Manning. He told me about it. No, the trouble began with the other lady."

"I bet they weren't M.T.B.—those are her real initials."

"Do you mean they weren't her rings? But how did it come that she was able to describe them so accurately? I hadn't shown them to anyone."

Durbin gazed at me with an air almost amounting to pity.

"That tall lady with the pleasant voice who was so grateful is one of the bames of my existence. She's not poor—not that if she were it would excuse her. She just lifts anything that comes her way, as you might say, for the fun of it. You found the rings in the ladies' dressing room. Annie was out at the time. Were there any ladies there when you found them?"

"Only two, and one of them left immediately. The other may have been a little longer there. I didn't really notice her. I can't remember that I saw her face at all."

"In all probability, you didn't. She'd take care of that. I bet she was watching you in the mirror—that place is full of mirrors. She waited long enough to hear what you said to Annie when she came back, and the rest was easy."

"She took the rings to Batchelor's, the jewellers, to sell them. That was where she went wrong. She had been there before they recognised her. Tempted, and asked her to come next morning when they would have valued them."

**Most effusive**

"Send Durbin to my office, will you, please? Tell him to hurry." He said to me: "Durbin is our detective. Clever fellow, but a bit abrupt. You're not suspecting me of slip-lifting, are you?" I asked: "He laughed. 'No, but I'm going to show you that it's wiser to let people do the jobs they are engaged for. Ah, Durbin—this is the lady we were speaking about.'"

A short, stocky man looked at me, and said: "Ah—yes, I see. I don't," I told them. "What's all this about?"

Durbin said: "Those rings?"

"I saw the woman who claimed them first," I said. "Met her at a cocktail party. She'd lost her rings at home. Most effusive about it."



Another story in this series by famous people. Some tales are fact—and some are fiction. But can you tell which?

"By that time we'd had Lady—reporting the loss of her rings here. Annie was in tears, the manageress in the restaurant having hysterics. Then I got to work. I said to the manager: 'I'll bet this is old Mother Broadbent up to her tricks again.'"

"Very co-operative the chaps at the Yard. Pawnbrokers were questioned—drew blanks. Finally we got round to Batchelor's, who do quite a bit of pawn-broking as well as selling jewellery."

The manager broke in. "By this time Lady was in and out of my office evolving theories of her own, nearly driving me frantic. Now I happen to know old Broadbent—decent old boy—and very attached to his tiresome wife. I asked Lady—'If she insisted on prosecution if the rings were found. She said: 'My dear man, I don't want to have to hang round police courts, and see some wretched woman in tears, I want my rings intact. That will satisfy me.'"

**A warning**

"So Batchelor's handed back the rings to me," the detective said, "and cleaned them into the bargain."

"We've barred Ma Broadbent the store, warned Lady—not to leave her rings lying about in cloakrooms, and now—" he paused. Impressively, "I am going to warn you, madam, not to go about imagining yourself a budding Sherlock Holmes. It only leads to bother and—another time you might be mixed up in the bother."

I sighed: "And she seemed such a nice woman."

Durbin smiled. "They all do—until you know 'em. Well, I'll get back to my work. Good morning, madam."

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## SCHOOL SPORTS

## Ho May-yee Again Equals Colony 100M. Record

By "RECORDER"

Though records fell right and left—in fact there were 12 in all—performances at the South China Athletic Association's 10th Annual Invitational Inter-School Athletic Meeting which concluded at Caroline Hill yesterday were, on the whole, below the standard of previous years.

But Tak Ming Middle School's Ho May-yee laid claim once more to the title of being the Colony's fastest ever feminine human as she equalled the Colony record of 13.0 seconds for the 100 Metres Dash she holds jointly with Capt. P. Garrard, WRAC. This was accomplished in a semi-final and the final, as at the Colony Championships, was won in a slow 13.4 seconds.

But the final came after the semi-final of the 100 and the final of the 200 Metres, which May-yee won in 28.5 seconds.

One of the better marks of the afternoon came in the Open 400 Metres Relay where the South China AA quartet of Sham Pit-chung, Lee Wing-kai, Fung Kai-lee and Wong Man-wan returned 45.0 seconds.

South China's footballers—Chu Wing-wah, Mok Chun-wah, Pau King-yin and Ko Po-keung—surprised with a fast 47.1 seconds in the Footballers' Relay. The time was fast enough for a place in the Colony Championships.

**A GREAT RACE**  
Run in almost the worst possible conditions of a Hong-kong summer, the Open 5,000 Metres produced a great race with the HKAA's Bruce Tulloh a winner as usual but not until after a great struggle over the first 1½ laps.

South China's Au Chung-sing tried to run Tulloh off his legs with a fast four laps after a slow time over the first four and an unknown challenger, Thompson of the RAF Little Salway, came in with South China's game little Chan Kim-hung to make it a four-sided duel.

There was just a chance that the tactics used by Au Chung-sing on Tulloh might have succeeded. They have not been tried before. But the 173 Locating Battery boy, though he was looking more uncomfortable than he has in any previous race locally, hung on and survived the challenge.

Thompson had let off on the bell lap, but the crowd broke into a roar as Tulloh really opened up on all cylinders. For a runner who could only post 80.8 seconds for the 440 Yards last Sunday, Tulloh was really going fast and though Thompson held on to the margin between the first 200 yards he had to ease up later.

Chan Kim-hung, running his own race, was a good third and wasn't too slow on the final lap either. This very keen Chinese runner is in his greatest ever and has taken over from Chan King-yin the title of fastest Chinese in town over the Three Miles—5,000 Metres distances at least. King-yin may still be better over Six or 10 Miles.

Tulloh received a great ovation at the prize-giving and was apparently so overcome at this show of spontaneous Chinese sportsmanship that he left the stadium with the winner's cup and his camera behind.

**IN FORFEIT**  
This was held in forfeit lest he might get lost and miss the dinner that followed. It was Tulloh's first ever effort at a Chinese dinner.

The SCAA athletic section put him at his ease with no trouble at all.

"If you are going to London University to study zoology," said one wit reassuringly, "you may just as well gain some experience as to the taste of some of the specimens you will handle."

Bruce Tulloh, to the best of our knowledge, survived the shark's fins, fish maws and awabi and will start on his zoological career having a foretaste of some, at least, the oceanic life he will handle.

The SCAA athletic section put on a really grand show for more than 700 schoolchildren, with enough pagantry, short of flocks of pigeons, to make anyone feel like an Olympic Champion.

But the talk at the dinner was largely of the 200 Yards Relay this coming Sunday at Pokfulam where the cream of South China's athletic talent in the over-35 bracket are taking on the tough HKAA quartet of Brother Conrad, Father Lawler, Mrs Van Vleet and J. E. P. Blenkinsop.

It seems that at trials held during the week it was found that Raleigh Leung, since taking over the General Secretaryship of the SCAA, is not as fast as he was and may not be included in the final SCAA selection.

The original idea of waging four bottles of beer on the race has also been shelved as, according to AAA rules, that will impair everybody's amateur status.

## THE RESULTS

The most successful school in this meet was the Pui Kiu School, which captured three of the five championships, in the Boys' 100

grade and won both girls' championships.

The senior Boys' Championship was won by Pui Ching School and New Method School won the other boys' title.

Following were the results:

110 metres high hurdles—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Yip Ching (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 18.5 sec.

400 metres relay—1. Pui Ching; 2. Hong Wah; 3. Pui Kiu; 4. Pui Ching (New Method). Time: 46.4 sec.

800 metres—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 2:15.5 sec.

1,600 metres—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 5:15.5 sec.

3,200 metres—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 10:15.5 sec.

6,400 metres—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 20:15.5 sec.

12,800 metres—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 40:15.5 sec.

25,600 metres—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 80:15.5 sec.

51,200 metres—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 160:15.5 sec.

102,400 metres—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 320:15.5 sec.

204,800 metres—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 640:15.5 sec.

409,600 metres—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 1280:15.5 sec.

819,200 metres—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 2560:15.5 sec.

1,638,400 metres—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 5120:15.5 sec.

3,276,800 metres—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 10240:15.5 sec.

6,553,600 metres—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 20480:15.5 sec.

13,107,200 metres—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 40960:15.5 sec.

26,214,400 metres—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 81920:15.5 sec.

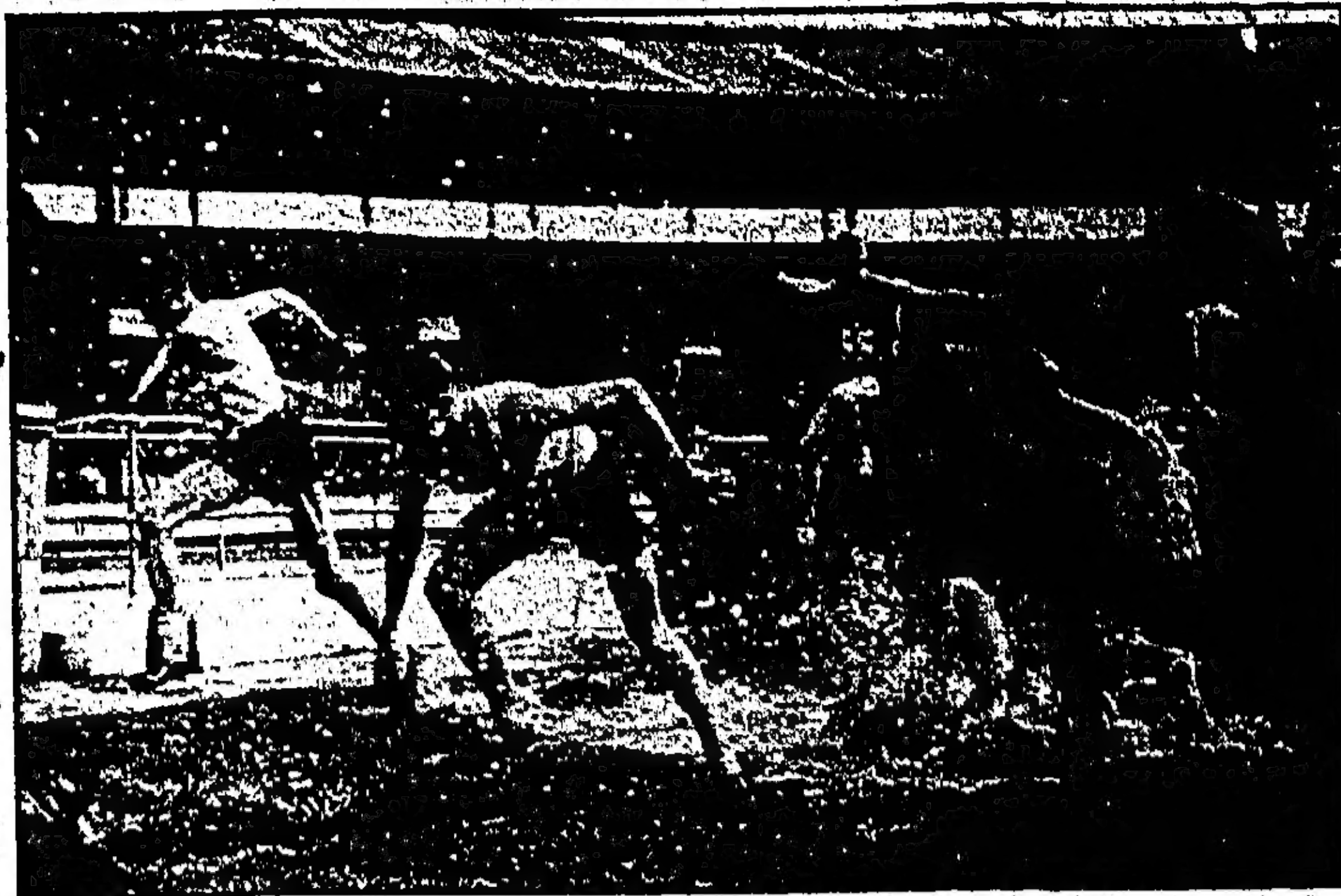
52,428,800 metres—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 163840:15.5 sec.

104,857,600 metres—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 327680:15.5 sec.

209,715,200 metres—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 655360:15.5 sec.

419,430,400 metres—1. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 2. Leung Kam-sing (Pui Ching); 3. Ng Chiu-shun (Tak Ming); 4. Lau Wai-kong (Tak Ming). Time: 1310720:15.5 sec.

## Wet Going At The White City



J. F. A. Quinn (left) of Birkenhead, and C. A. Davies (No 29, right), of St Albans, leave the water jump as other competitors "drop in" during the third heat of the 1/4-Mile water jump at the London Athletic Club's Schools Challenge Cup Meeting. It was held at White City, London.—Reuterphoto.

## Trabert Or Rosewall Is My Wimbledon Tip; Hart To Retain Women's Title

Says FRED PERRY

Make way for a change in both Wimbledon singles champions. Miss Maureen Connolly, already thrice women's champion at 20 years of age, is letting someone else have a chance; and among the men the odds are against the reigning champion, Jaroslav Drobný, now 32.

He may, of course, have an Indian summer triumph. But he is troubled by suspected appendicitis and has a bad leg. Not a very happy outlook for him.

Change is good for the game. Much as I esteem "Little Mo" and admire her tennis, the notion of seeing her taking an unbroken succession of championships for the next 10 years would be unattractive in its monotony.

In men's tennis, fortunately, this does not happen, largely because of the lure of professionalism. Champion after champion, from the time of Bill Tilden onwards, has translated himself to the "House of Lords" of lawn tennis, sorely weakening the amateur game, but leaving room for the upstart of someone different.

Information about the Wimbledon entry is far from complete, but it is assumed that the Americans Tony Trabert, Art Larsen, Gardner Mulloy, Budgie Patty, Vic Seixas and Ham Richardson will be there; the Australians Lew Hoad, Ken Rosewall, Merv Rose and Rex Hartwig; and, if fit, the champion himself. Surely we cannot go outside that collection for the new title-holder.

No, at this moment I am not going to "stick my neck out" with rash prophecy. So many of these lads are so even in quality, so in-and-out in form, that picking a winner for the Derby is hardly more difficult.

**MY FANCY IS TRABERT**  
My fancy at this distance is either Tony Trabert of USA, or Ken Rosewall, of Australia, with another Australian Rex Hartwig as a dark horse. He hits the ball very quickly and cleanly on the rise and has good strokes.

The way of the prophet is hard when the world's four major championships are all held by different men—Wimbledon by Drobný, Australia by Rosewall, France by Trabert and America by Seixas.

What of the English? Young Billy Knight, I see, has at last beaten Tony Mottram—which sooner or later was inevitable. That does not mean as yet he can be seriously considered for the Championship; nor can the others, such as Mottram himself, Bobby Wilson, Michael Davies and Roger Becker. They have quite a long way to go yet. Will they ever get there?

## INTERNATIONAL SOCCER

## Austria Wins By Odd Goal In Five

Berne, May 1.  
Austria beat Switzerland in a soccer international here today by three goals to two after three goals to two after half time.

Austria attacked early but shot wildly and counter-attacks by the home side led to them taking the lead through centre forward Heigl. Hoffbauer on the right wing equalised but Conlanthen (inside right) restored an advantage to the home side before the interval. Afterwards Hoffbauer and Probst (centre forward) added goals for Austria.

Switzerland late in the game missed by narrow margins two chances of scoring.—Reuter.

Among the women the position is less complicated. I should say that Miss Doris Hart, United States champion of 1934 and Wimbledon champion in 1931, will be favourite, more especially as Miss Louise Brown, who beat her in our Championships last July, Miss Shirley Fry and Mrs Dupont are likely to be absent.

**CALIFORNIAN JUNIORS**  
Chief threat to Miss Hart, I should say, will be Mrs Beverly Flett, the former Beverly Baker who, in California since last Wimbledon, beat Miss Connolly.

Barbara Breit and Darlene Hard, who upset various seniors in their own land last autumn, were coming to Wimbledon; they would lend variety to an entry already freshened by an Australian girls' team.

There is no evidence that the Australians, or the girls from any other country, including England, will be good enough to upset a star like Miss Hart.

On the Continent, England's girls, in the absence of the Americans, carry everything before them; yet are trounced year after year in the Wimbledon Cup contest. Never was the supremacy of the Americans in women's tennis so marked as now.

—(London Express Service)

## Cup Ticket Row Splits United

By HUGH MEDLICOTT

No mother-in-law ever caused as much trouble as a Cup Final ticket. Last week a squabble over these so valuable pieces of paste-board almost resulted in Newcastle United "sacking" their first team on the eve of the Final.

The senior team men were warned by Secretary E. Hall that if they persisted in their demands for more than 12 tickets each, the club would play reserves at Wembley.

The players, as a protest against what they claim to be a broken promise of 80 tickets each for the Final, have returned to the club their official allocations of 12 tickets.

And they have cancelled a Cup Final dance they had organised at Newcastle for which 600 tickets had already been sold. Wembley tickets were to have been used as spot dance prizes.

But the promise of 80 tickets per man is clearly against a Football Association ruling, which states team players (up to 15 in number) of the clubs in the Final can purchase from their clubs not more than 12 tickets each for use by members of their families and personal friends.

## CLUBS WERE REMINDED

Their no-more-than-12-a-man edict was published in 1953. Last year it became an official instruction, failure to observe which would be regarded as misconduct. The Finalists were reminded of this instruction by the FA in a letter of April 4.

After training at St. James' Park, 14 players, led by captain Jimmy Scoullar, went to see Mr. Hall to air their grievance. Hall, an hour later, they filed out of the office, dejected and disgruntled.

The 14 players from whom the final team will be chosen later, decided to take no further action until the directors held their usual weekly board meeting.

Said Scoullar: "We have promised tickets to our friends, and now we are having to let them down. We have tried to contact the chairman and some of the

## ROBINSON'S ROLE SMACKS OF "LITTLE CAESAR" BUT THE PUNCH ISN'T THERE

Says MICHAEL RUDDY

"Just give me a civil answer to a simple question," snapped Edward G. Robinson to Paul Stewart, face scarred from eye to chin, standing beside him. "A simple answer, see!"

They were in the kitchen of a waterfront house in San Francisco. The film is "The Darkest Hour," a Jaguar Production, Alan Ladd's own company, in which he plays a policeman who has been framed, comes out of San Quentin, rather bitter with the world, but shows his mettle when he comes to grips with Mr. Robinson, who's a sort of underworld chieftain running the fishing fleets, the docks, narcotics, and a bunch of assorted thugs, led by Mr. Stewart, whose last encounter with Robinson was in "Illegal."

This role of Edward G. Robinson smacks of "Little Caesar" except that I find the old punch isn't there. Joanne Dru is Alan Ladd's wife in the piece. She was on the side-lines, looking at sketches of the clubhouse she and husband John Ireland will build for their Racquet Club near Phoenix, Arizona.

Family report: Mrs Edward G. Robinson called off her divorce suit and her demand for half of the community property which she estimated was about \$11-110,000. Said Gladys Robinson, a painter who exhibited in London last year, "I probably shouldn't have filed the suit in the first place." They've been married 29 years, should be able to make the necessary adjustments.

I'm reminded of a story about two Hollywood children who were arguing. One yelled, "Well, anyhow my father can lick your father!" Said the other, "Are you kidding? Your father is my father!"

Met Judy Garland going into her doctor's office building. "I feel fine, Thinner. Look at me," said Judy. Thinner she is. "I'm reading scripts for a Broadway review and we're hoping for a September opening." And she can do television any time she wishes.

**TWO GOOD THRILLERS**  
Alfred Hitchcock became an American citizen last week but still had a lot of explaining to do about the comments he made in France about American pictures he makes. Suggestion: "If you don't mean it, Hitch, don't say it, not even for effect."

He has two good thrillers coming up, "How To Catch A Thief" with Cary Grant and Grace Kelly, a cool beauty, exquisitely groomed by Edith Head, and "The Trouble With Harry," introducing a new male personality, Shirley Maclaine, a dancer from Broadway, an understudy who made good, first for Carole Hanes in "Pajama Game," second for Betty Grable on a television spectacular.

And if you're in Marakesh during the next month or so, you'll see Hitchcock with Doris Day and James Stewart, doing the re-make of "The Man Who Knew Too Much."

Cynical comment at a recent party: "Oh, they enjoyed wedded bliss, when they agreed on a divorce."

Tea with Ann Miller on the eve of her departure for Australia.

## Team Of Four Bridge Tournay Results

The results of the second session of the final round of the Open Team of Four Contract Bridge Championship for the Chinese Club Cup played off on Friday evening at the Jewish Recreation Club were as follows:

S. K. Lee's Chinese Club team (Y. T. Fong, M. C. Sit, P. T. Yu, L. L. Sung) defeated A. Ozorio's team (L. A. Ozorio, A. M. Ozorio, F. A. Gill, D. M. Rodrigues) by 68-48 IMP. The half-session score was 34-26 in favour of the Lee team.

David Miao's IBC team (David Miao, Eddie Sun, Dodge Chen, Y. M. Chu) defeated Henry Kial's Varometer team (Henry Kial, Victor Zirnisky, George Tsalik, K. Y. Roy) by 58-42 IMP after a half time score of 18-17 IMP in favour of Kial team.

The third and final session of the final round will be played next Friday at the Jewish Recreation Club at 6.30 p.m.

The standings of the four teams in the final round are now:

S. K. Lee's Chinese Club team 4 victory points; L. A. Ozorio's team 2; David Miao's team 2; Henry Kial's team 0.

The tournament director last Friday was Mrs E. D. Connors.

Greta Garbo, now a hit with the teenagers who never knew her.

Bing and Kitty Kallen have recorded some duets for Decca. And Jeff Chandler composed two new songs before he departed for the Virgin Islands for "Away All Boats."

A tip: Gregory Peck's three-year-old (co-owner John Huston) won his first race on St. Patrick's Day and the owner collected \$800 at three to one.

**AT THE MOCAMBO**  
At the Mocambo, Allan Jones singing with wife Irene Hervey sitting at a front table every night... at Ciro's, Katharine Dunham and her dancers, playing to capacity, at three guineas a person... at the Coconut Grove, Mickey Rooney and company, with Freddie Martin's Band, and Mickey celebrating 30 years in show business. He's good, less trash, and happy to take the troupe on tour, and I would like to come to London, again and do the provinces," he said at supper after the show.

Bing Crosby's at work again on "Anything Goes" with Donald O'Connor, Jeanne Crain, and a cast of new stars. Mitzi Gaynor, Phil Harris, a wonderful comedian, and Kurt Kazmar, Slimmer, indeed is Bing, with two inches in the waist, "Had to have two dozen trousers altered," he said. And he seems rather proud of the way his oldest boy, Gary, is making his way upwards in radio and television, and collecting two hundred guineas or so a week.

One of Bing's new projects is a village for trailers—caravans—near the station at Santa Monica, with two swimming-pools, a club-house, a nine-hole golf links, and a shopping centre, all costing about a million pounds. And his oil wells are producing too.

Most popular picture in Beverly Hills is "Camille" with Harry Odell says.

All revivir lovely Hong Kong. At 5 p.m. today better half and I leave by N.W.A. for a jaunt around the world. I would be lacking in good-manners if I did not say thank you to all those who helped me in the presentation of my great artists and to assure them and our growing community, that I go in search for more. Meantime, remember the "EMPIRE" as the landmark of good entertainment. Au revoir and good luck.

Harry Odell says.

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Harry  
Odell  
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better half and I leave by  
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the world. I would be lack-  
ing in good manners if I did  
not say thank you to all those  
who helped me in the pre-  
sentation of my great artists  
and to assure them and our  
growing community that  
I go in search for more.  
Meantime, remember the  
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of good entertainment. Au  
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## Hong Kong Birds

Herklots, G. A. C. 1953.  
Hong Kong Birds. Pp.  
viii+233, 11 pls., 8 in.  
colour, numerous black-  
and-white drawings in  
text. Hong Kong: South  
China Morning Post,  
Ltd. HK\$35.00.

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handbook for ornitholo-  
gists resident or station-  
ed in Hong Kong. All  
the hitherto recorded  
species are included;  
plumages are clearly and  
concisely described, and  
a short account is given  
of field characters,  
voice, habits, status,  
etc. The illustrations,  
except for three plates  
of photographs, are all  
by Cdr. A. M. Hughes,  
and include four attrac-  
tive plates of the heads  
of 42 species and many  
useful drawings in the  
text. The writer of this  
review would have  
benefited greatly from  
this book when station-  
ed in Hong Kong some  
years ago. Even now,  
on referring to it, some  
40 unfamiliar species  
on which notes were  
made at the time have  
almost all proved easily  
identifiable. — D. W. S."

(Extract from "The Bird" official  
organ of the British Ornithologists'  
Union, British Museum.)

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## NOTICE

UNION INSURANCE  
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### Notice to Shareholders

Notice is hereby given that  
the ORDINARY YEARLY  
MEETING of the Society will  
be held at the Head Office of  
the Society, Union Building,  
Hong Kong, on Thursday,  
26th May 1955 at 11.30 a.m.,  
to receive the Directors'  
Report and the Statement of  
Accounts, to declare a  
dividend and to transact the  
ordinary business of the  
Society.

THE SHARE TRANSFER  
BOOKS of the Society will be  
CLOSED from 7th May to 26th  
May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
L. R. STONE,  
General Manager.

Hongkong, 6th Apr., 1955.

## NOTICE

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SOCIETY OF CANTON,  
LIMITED

### Notice to Shareholders

Notice is hereby given  
that an EXTRAORDINARY  
GENERAL MEETING of the  
Shareholders of the Society  
will be held at the Head Office  
of the Society, Union Building,  
Pedder Street, Hong  
Kong, on Thursday, the  
Twenty-sixth day of May  
1955 at 11.45 a.m., or so soon  
afterwards as the Ordinary  
Yearly Meeting, to be held at  
11.30 a.m. on that day, shall  
have concluded, when the  
subjoined resolutions will be  
submitted as Ordinary  
Resolutions:—

(1) That the Issued Capital of  
the Society be increased from  
£1,350,000 to  
£1,500,000 by the creation  
of fifteen thousand new  
Shares of £10 each.

(2) That:—

(a) It is desirable to  
capitalize a sum of One  
hundred and fifty thou-  
sand pounds being part of  
the undivided profits of  
the Society standing to  
the credit of the Exchange  
and Investment Fluctua-  
tion Account and accord-  
ingly that such sum be  
capitalized and applied  
in payment in full for  
fifteen thousand new  
shares of the Society of  
Ten Pounds each at par  
and that such shares  
credited as fully paid up  
be distributed amongst  
the Shareholders who on  
the twenty-sixth day of  
May 1955 were registered  
Shareholders of the  
Society in the proportion  
of one new share for  
every nine then held  
by such Shareholders  
respectively and that  
the shares so distrib-  
uted shall be treated for  
all purposes as an in-  
crease of the issued  
Capital of the Society  
held by each Shareholder  
and not as income, and  
that such shares shall  
rank for dividend as from  
the first day of January  
1955 and shall in all  
other respects rank pari  
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shares of the Society and  
that no fractional certi-  
ficates shall be issued but  
that shares representing  
fractions shall be allotted  
to a Trustee to be  
nominated by the Direc-  
tors upon trust for sale  
on such conditions as  
they consider expedient,  
and the net proceeds of  
sale shall be distributed  
proportionately amongst  
those members who would  
otherwise be entitled to  
such fractions, and in  
satisfaction thereof.

(b) The Board of Direc-  
tors be hereby authorized  
to allot and issue new  
Shares for distribution in  
the manner and propor-  
tions aforesaid.

By Order of the Board,  
L. R. STONE,  
General Manager.

Hongkong, 6th Apr., 1955.

## 'Digger' Para-Dogs In Training

Melbourne, May 1.

Para-dogs whose sensitive noses can sniff out  
mines or reveal enemy ambushes will shortly join  
Australia's airborne troops.

These dog "Diggers" are now training at a  
New South Wales School for Army Engineers.

In war or manoeuvres, the  
dogs will jump from regular  
troop aircraft and float down  
under their own parachutes.  
Their handlers will free them  
and the dogs will go into  
action, alongside the elite of  
Australia's infantry.

Teaching dogs to jump  
out of aircraft is not much  
more difficult than teaching  
them to jump out of trucks,"  
Major J. M. Hutcheson, the  
dogs' schoolmaster said.  
Australia's para-dogs will  
not be raw beginners in the art  
of dog warfare, Major Hutcheson  
says that they will be  
seasoned veterans of Army  
mine-detecting and scouting  
schools, well-trained and dis-  
ciplined.

Australians learned the value  
of way dogs in Korea when,  
with British Army assistance,  
they started a school to turn  
out dogs to go on patrol with  
the Australian troops there.

Now, a similar school in New  
South Wales is a regular estab-  
lishment of the Australian  
armed services.

Star of the Australian school  
is Tiger, described as a "scruffy,  
high-foreheaded Labrador-  
Alsatian cross." Set loose in a  
minefield, Tiger can read the  
ground to point out every mine.  
In a demonstration here,  
Tiger touched the ground with  
his nose whenever he spotted a  
mine. His handler, Sapper J.H.  
Martin of Sydney, gently probed  
the ground and at every place  
the dog spotted, he dug  
up a sinister box.

PIECE OF MEAT  
Although Sapper Martin  
gave Tiger a piece of meat  
for every mine he found,  
the wily dog appeared to  
enjoy the work for its own  
sake.

A lecturer in veterinary  
science at Sydney University  
said that Tiger was a natural  
mine-hunter. He enjoyed the  
search and also appreciated the  
reward.

The lecturer said that Tiger's  
Labrador and Alsatian strains

gave him "the capacity to think  
like a child of about four years  
old."

"Consider his extraordinary  
sense of smell, his keen eye-  
sight for any differences in the  
surface which may have been  
disturbed when the mines were  
laid," the scientist added. "Con-  
sider also his sense of touch.  
Dogs are highly sensitive to  
hard ground and we conclude  
that they are sensitive to  
soft, too. It is probable that  
apart from smell and sight,  
Tiger could tell that the soil  
around the mine was not pack-  
ed as tightly as the surround-  
ing soil."

Prince, a two-year-old  
Alsatian, is another star in the  
class. His former master gave  
Prince to the Army because he  
feared the big dog might turn  
out to be a killer.

But the army school made  
Prince as gentle as a deer. The  
clever dog learned in three  
weeks what it normally takes a  
patrol dog three months to learn.

PROVED A MASTER  
Prince proved to be a  
master at obeying the com-  
mands "heel," "stay,"  
"walk" and "play." In  
battle, if Prince were order-  
ed to play, he would first  
point out a lurking ambush  
to his master, then turn on  
his trick of performing like  
a roistering puppy.

He would slobber, whimper,  
leap and scamper round the  
"enemy" troops, without bark-  
ing—just stop on a command.  
The object of this trick is to  
distract the "enemy" before they  
have time to open fire on  
Prince's masters.

Tiger and Prince, together  
with 30 other dogs who will  
train at the school, have one  
thing in common. They have  
large, full foreheads and wide  
skulls.

Major Hutcheson says that an  
"intellectually-shaped" dog's  
head means everything when it  
comes to absorbing knowledge.  
—China Mail Special.

## RED STATES RETURN TO ILO

### Organisation Enters Most Critical Phase Of Existence

Geneva, May 1.

The International Labour Organisation is  
entering a critical phase of its existence as the  
result of the return of seven Communist states.

Led by the Soviet Union, the Communist bloc  
comprises Bulgaria, Hungary, Poland, Czecho-  
slovakia, Bielo-Russia and the Ukraine.

The 1954 General Conference marked the postwar  
debut of the Communist countries in the International  
Labour Organisation. The European Regional Con-  
ference in January this year provided the stage for  
their second appearance.

The 1955 General Conference, appointment of high Soviet  
officials to the secretariat, which  
could hardly be refused, would  
be bound to have some effect  
on the administration of the  
Organisation.

So far, there is only one  
major issue of immediate im-  
portance which has arisen from  
Communist activity in the In-  
ternational Labour Organisation.  
The presence of the Commu-  
nists has provoked a full  
scale controversy over the  
position in the Organisation of  
private employers and repre-  
sentatives of State-run industry.

Representatives of private in-  
dustry, who have hitherto held  
almost undisputed sway in the  
employers' group, declare that  
the Communists are merely  
appendages of their Govern-  
ment delegations.

### HARDLY DIFFERS

The Communists claim  
that their position hardly  
differs from that of heads  
of nationalised undertakings  
in Western countries—in  
some of which the State is  
already the biggest employ-  
er.

Nationalised industry was a  
comparatively rare thing when  
the Organisation was founded  
in 1919. Totally socialised  
economies, with the notable  
exception of that of the Soviet  
Union, were even rarer.

The clash between representa-  
tives of private and State-run  
industry actually began when  
the Soviet Union sent an  
official of the People's Water  
Transport Commissariat as  
employer delegate to a con-  
ference in 1936. The Organisa-  
tion's secretariat was asked to  
study the matter.

The secretariat found nothing  
to prevent the State from  
nominating an employer dele-  
gate for nationalised industry.  
No provision of the Organisa-  
tion's constitution required  
employer delegates to be private  
individuals.

The late Sir Harold Butler,  
British Director of the In-  
ternational Labour Organisation  
in 1937, pointed out that there  
were at least eight different  
kinds of employers, including  
those who worked for their own  
profit, for company shareholders  
or for the State. All employers,  
he said, had in common the fact  
that they gave work in return  
for money, and the Organisa-  
tion's constitution was wide  
enough for all.

Continuing controversy was  
cut short by World War II. It  
did not begin again in earnest  
until last year.

In the 1954 General Con-  
ference, the employers' group  
split from the start. The non-  
Communist majority in the  
group excluded the Communist  
employers from representation  
in all the technical committees  
of the conference and challenged  
their credentials.

### COMMUNIST AIM

Non-Communist employ-  
er delegates, notably from  
the United States, Britain,  
France and Uruguay, pro-  
claimed that the Communist  
aim was to wreck the Or-  
ganisation.

They received strong support  
from the United States Govern-  
ment. American Government  
delegates maintained that the  
Soviet regime did not allow  
free workers' and employers'  
organisations to exist. Soviet  
delegations were monolithic, re-  
presenting only government  
interests. The Communist coun-  
tries, therefore, had no right to  
claim representation under the  
Organisation's tripartite system,  
the American spokesmen de-  
clared.

But the British and French  
Governments were among those  
which approved the credentials  
of the Communist employers on  
constitutional grounds.

The conference, in plenary  
session upheld the credentials of  
the Communist employers by  
105 votes to 79, with 28 ab-  
stentions. The Communists  
were also awarded seats as non-  
voting deputy members in the  
technical committees.

The American Director-  
General of the International  
Labour Organisation, Mr David  
Morse, said in his closing  
address that the root of the trouble  
did not seem to lie in any  
structural weakness of the or-  
ganisation. The trouble of the  
conference, he considered, were  
the reflection of political ten-  
sions. —China Mail Special.



Troops clear away the rubble after the recent devastating  
earthquake at Volos, Thessaly, in which hundreds of people lost  
their homes and many were injured—but only one person died.  
The King and Queen of Greece made a tour of the devastated  
area.—Express Photo.

## RED CHINA AND THE U.N.

Madras, May 1.  
Chances of Communist China's  
entry into United Nations have  
become brighter after the Ban-  
dung conference. Mr V. K.  
Krishna Menon, India's delegate  
to Bandung said in a press inter-  
view here tonight.  
Mr Menon, who formerly

headed India's delegation to the  
United Nations, said discussions  
at the Asian-African conference  
in Bandung last month had  
created an atmosphere more  
conducive to a settlement of the  
problem of Peking's representa-  
tion in the world organisation.—  
France-Press.

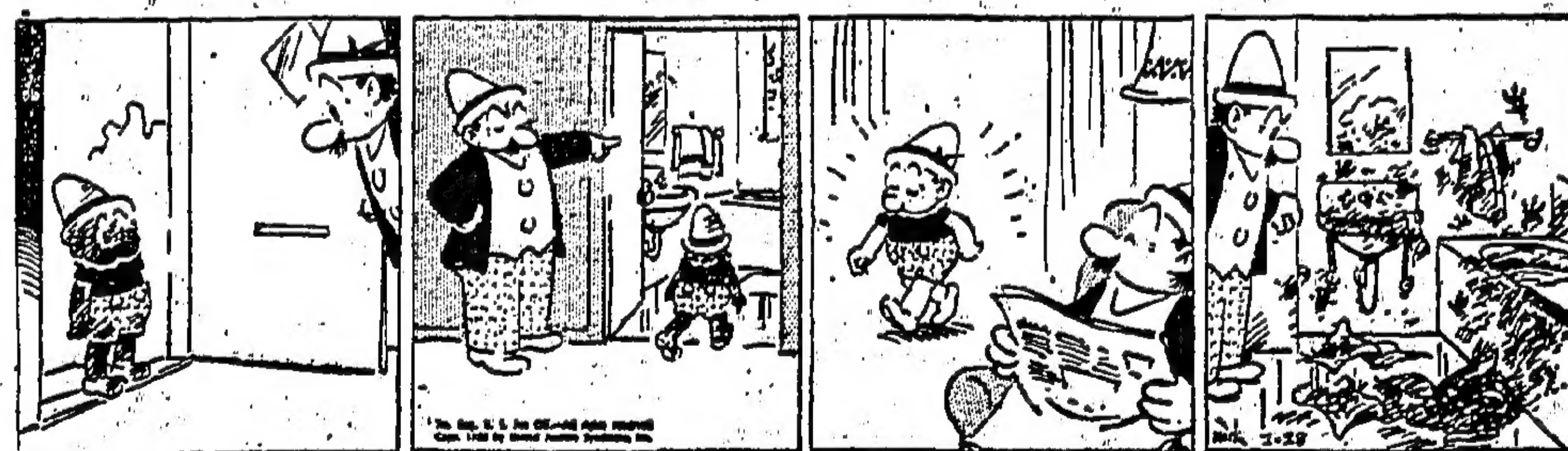
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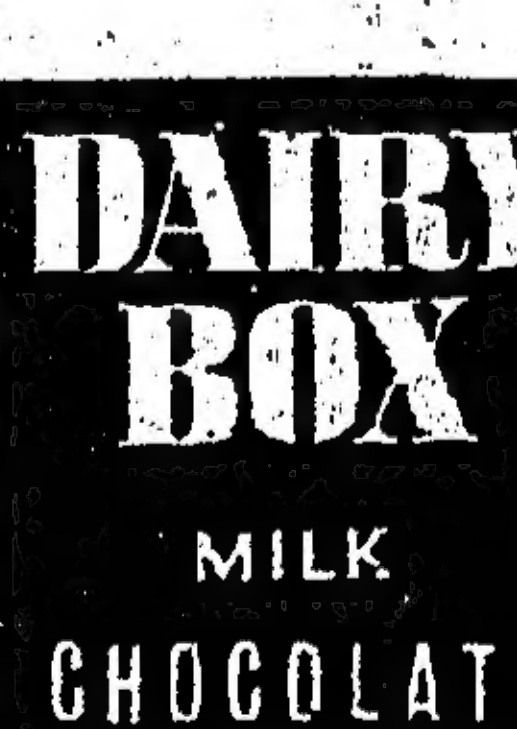
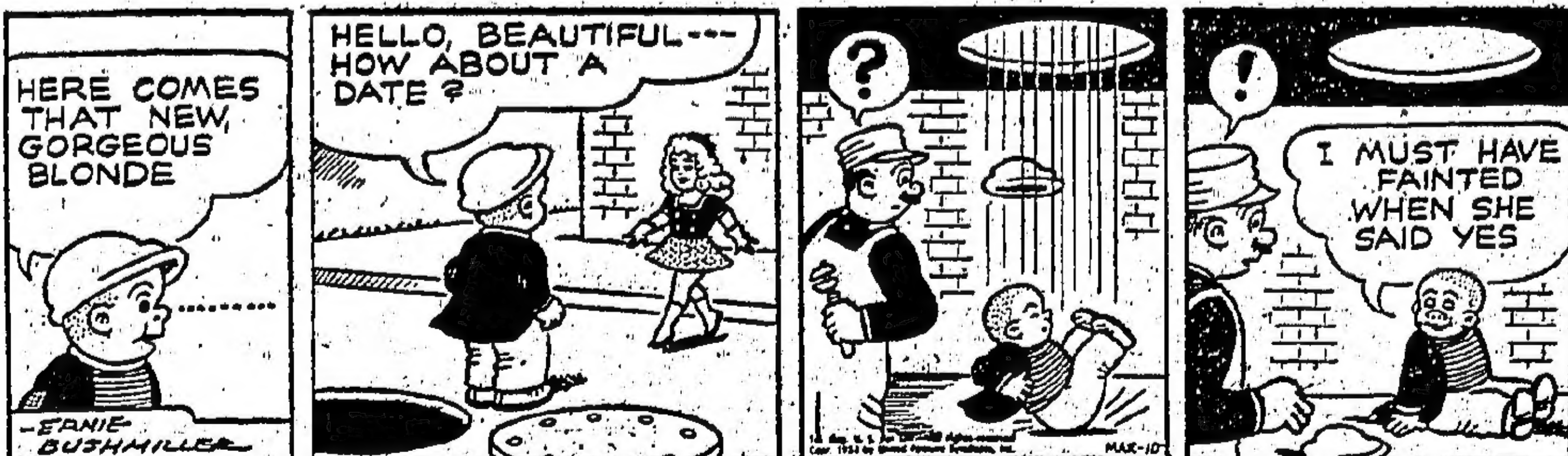
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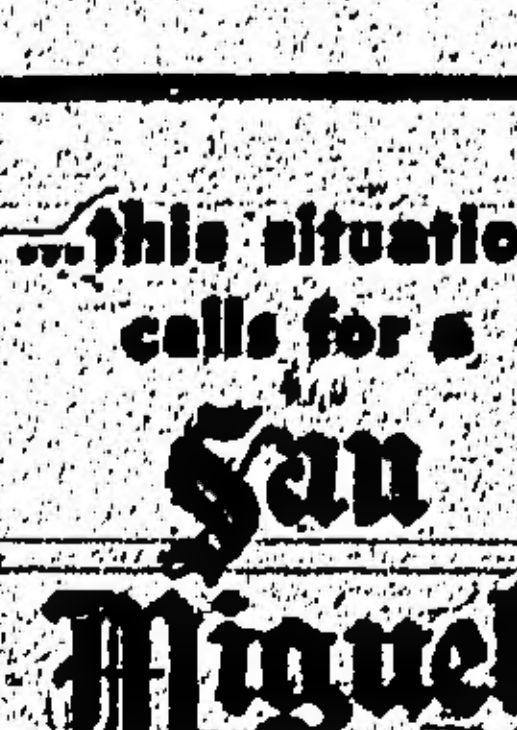
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By Frank Robbins





## TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

## COLONIAL DEVELOPMENT CORP

Chairman Anticipates  
Bright New Era

From Ronald Boxall

London, May 1.

The Colonial Development Corporation has entered into a new—and brighter—phase of its chequered career. For the four years since Lord Reith took over the chairmanship the Corporation has been preoccupied with the "serious and sickening" task of limiting and reorganising its activities. Now again in Lord Reith's words "the emphasis has swung towards looking forward instead of backwards." The proof of this is that last year CDC "came very near to breaking even on current operations."

Lord Reith's report makes diverting reading. He does not hesitate to criticise Her Majesty's Government if he feels criticism is deserved. His language is not that of a civil servant. But he gets results.

N.Y. COTTON  
MARKET  
REVIEW

By William Plunkett

New York, May 1.

Cotton futures trading last week became more two-sided in a less active market.

At Friday's close the list ruled 39 points higher to 34 points lower (or up \$1.95 to \$1.70) a bale compared with the preceding week. The prompt absorption of May delivery notices by southern mill interests and other trade accounts tightened up the situation on old crop months. As the week drew to a close, the May open position approximated 30,000 bales.

Trader attention in new crop months became distracted by uncertainties over future government policy on price supports, production controls and the question of a subsidy for new cotton exports. Pending a clearer view of the outlook, traders curbed market participation in the later sessions.

## SELLING SURGE

Liverpool and other new crop months, the early selling surge from that direction coincided with proposals of a Senate group to expedite the sale of 700,000 bales of surplus cotton overseas, and a recommendation for a subsidy to prevent a further cotton surplus accumulation.

The mid-April parity price showed an unexpected reduction. The government plan rate will be determined on the basis of the July parity, the month-to-month changes now are followed by increasing interest.

The latest parity of 35.22 cents for middling 1/8 inch cotton was down 12 points from margin but up 13 points from a year ago.—United Press.

Sugar Export  
Quotas Raised

London, May 1.—Because of the tight supply position in the world sugar trade, the basic export tonnages of the producer countries which are members of the International Sugar Council have been raised by 10 per cent, the International Sugar Council announced today.

Total export quotas for this year will thus be raised from 3,709,000 metric tons to 4,123,000 metric tons. The Council's action announced today was the result of a decision made by the executive committee in its meeting during the first week of April. The increase represents an addition, on paper, of 444,500 metric tons to the supply position.

The following producer-countries will now be able to export the following additional amounts:

| Country            | Raw value (metric tons) |
|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Belgium            | 5,000                   |
| France             | 11,500                  |
| Germany            | 10,000                  |
| Italy              | 25,000                  |
| Poland             | 27,500                  |
| Czechoslovakia     | 30,000                  |
| Dominican Republic | 1,500                   |
| Mexico             | 22,000                  |
| U. S. S. R.        | 20,000                  |
| Total              | 144,500                 |

—United Press.

Unlike most of the score or so of similar organisations that have been set up since the war in various parts of the world to channel capital into underdeveloped territories CDC has the disadvantage of being compelled by its terms of reference to pay its way. Losses on unsound projects must in the long run be made good out of the profits of successful ventures.

From the British taxpayers' point of view this is all to the good; but it accounts for more of CDC's headaches than any other factor.

## UNFORTUNATE PROSPECTS

Two-thirds of its £10 million accumulated deficit arose out of "unfortunate" projects started before Lord Reith took over and subsequently abandoned. And this "financial milestone" is something the new management would like to rid itself of. The Government agreed to waive interest on lost capital but refused the Corporation's request to wipe out the old debt altogether.

The matter has now been pigeon-holed and is likely to remain so for a long time. In the meantime Lord Reith comments somewhat testily: "CDC has a statutory obligation to pay its way, taking one year with another; until reasonable relief is given the legacy of the past must be a factor in CDC's policy for the future."

For the Corporation the question of what should be done about the £6 million deficit piled up before 1951 is a matter of principle. As the interest on the old debt has been waived it is not a physical handicap—the "milestone" is an embarrassment rather than a financial burden. Meanwhile there are other more pressing problems for the Corporation to face.

## SOME DISCUSSED

Some of these are discussed in Lord Reith's report. The foremost is the question of providing amenities without which some new enterprises cannot go ahead.

CDC experts may decide that a project offers a reasonable return on investment only if it says £500,000. But if it is often the case further expenditures of £100,000 are required for the provision of essential roads, houses and welfare amenities for those who are to work on the project the likely return on the bigger capital may be too small to make the thing worthwhile. And so many deserving and well conceived enterprises are stillborn.

But CDC does not simply pose the question; it has what it believes to be the answer. "Here," says Lord Reith, "is scope for co-ordination of two instruments of colonial development and welfare and CDC." The association of HMG and Corporation capital "is a sensible and overdue objective; it would enable things to be done which cannot now be done."

## NOT YET

So far, however, nothing has been done to implement this proposal. The difficulty here is that HMG does not say how CDC and W. funds are to be spent; the colonies themselves decide that and if their ideas are approved HMG makes the money available. But one feels that it cannot be long before Lord Reith's suggestion is adopted as its logic is unassailable.

The new thinking that has gone into the Corporation's activities shows up in other parts of the report. CDC realises its

own limitations and tries to compensate for them. It has built up an efficient staff of its own; but excellent though it is there are things it cannot do. CDC therefore tries whenever possible to associate private enterprise with its projects.

Established industrial concerns have the technical know-how; CDC has the money. Together they can achieve much that would be impossible by either acting alone. So all seven of CDC's new projects last year were undertaken in association with private enterprise.

But CDC does not simply hand over money to private enterprise and invite it to get on with the job. The Corporation encourages it to put up some of its own cash. This way it not only demonstrates its confidence in the project but stands to make a financial loss along with CDC if the enterprise fails.

## INVESTMENTS

Another one of CDC's functions is to invest money in other people's projects. £8,600,000 is now on loan to 13 undertakings concerned with housing in territories as widely separated as Malaya and the West Indies. Last year these investments brought in £340,000—"an income which gives the Corporation additional freedom of manoeuvre in taking risks elsewhere."

After early doubtful schemes to be given a chance to prove themselves beyond what would otherwise have been justified. The success of these policies shows up in the results. Last year for the first time CDC had a net income from its projects including £118,775 against a loss of £130,038 in 1953. Fifteen of the 56 current projects have now reached the trading stage and these brought in a profit of £280,000—£70,000 more than the previous year.

After administrative and other expenses, but before allowing for colonial income tax and Government interest the accounts show a net loss for the year of only £28,944. The compared with the losses of £409,334 in 1953 and £838,277 in 1952.—London Express Service.

Group Demands  
Passage  
For Bills

New York, May 1.—Forty-six prominent citizens today urged their fellow Americans to demand passage of two bills now being considered in Congress to extend the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act and to ratify United States membership in the Organisation for Trade Co-operation.

Their statement said that the bills were needed in the form in which they were now offered to bolster our strength and the strength of the nations on our side in the world conflict of ideologies.

## PRIVATE ORGANISATION

Mr Louis Pink, Chairman of the Citizens Conference on International Economic Union, issued a private organisation issued a plea on behalf of the group.

"It is urgent that this bill be passed without amendment," the defeat of this bill would destroy GATT and would be an invitation to trade warfare among the world's free nations.—Reuter.

Malayan Tin  
Production

Singapore, May 1.—Official statistics issued here showed that the production of tin in Malaya for the first three months of this year totalled 337,615 piculs which was more than 700 tons over the corresponding figure for 1954.

In March the production of tin-metal amounted to 5,189 tons.

Coal production for March was 18,223 tons and bauxite production 14,181 tons. (337,615 piculs—approx. 20,334 tons).—France-Press.

HONGKONG  
STOCK  
EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$598,026.20. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

## SHARES-BUYERS SELLERS SALES

## BANKS

HK Bank 1940 1360 10 1/2 1330

East Asia 212 10 1/2 1340

## INSURANCES

Union 1030 1940 50 1/2

## DOCKS, ETC.

K. Wharf 2370 2410 500 1/4 24

Franchise (O) 11 1/2 10 3/4 12

Wharfedale 714 3000 1/2 130

## LAND, ETC.

HK Hotel 17 1/2 17.50 2800 1/2 17.50

HK Land 67 68 500 1/2 68 1/2

Humphreys 2812 1/2 67

## UTILITIES

Tram 2120 2140 400 1/2 2140

Star Ferry 107 108 400 1/2 108

C. Light (O) 18.60 18.80 2500 1/2 18.70

C. Light (N) 14.50 1000 1/2 14.50

Electric 38 1/2 39 500 1/2 39 1/2

Macao Elec. 10.80 32 3/4 4000 1/2 32 3/4

Telephone 22 3/4 4000 1/2 22 3/4

## INDUSTRIALS

Comet 2910 2940 1000 1/2 2925

Yong K. 1340 1000 1/2 1340

## STORES, ETC.

Dairy 2070 1190 2070 2775 1/2 2070

Watson 1250 2075 1/2 2070

## COTTONS

Textile Corp 370 375 5000 1/2 375

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Adverse Factors  
Affect  
London Markets

From Our Own Correspondent

London, May 1.

The general election and the implications of the Budget are compelling factors in the London stock markets at the moment. The former keeps down the volume of business and the latter ensures what little is done is by sellers rather than by buyers.

In these circumstances prices, especially in the gilt-edged section, took a hard knock last week.

The weakness of gilts was partly attributable to selling of short dated stocks by banks needing to restore their liquidity ratios. Sellers have not come forward to absorb this stock—the Government broker cannot because it would defeat the purpose of Mr Butler's sterner money policy and private institutions and investors will not because they fear the downward movement of prices still has some way to go.

The gilt-edged market is also losing business that might otherwise come to it because some industrial companies are investing their surplus funds in treasury bills, now yielding over four per cent, and other stock outside the exchange.

## UNUSUAL PATTERN

Selling of short dated Government stocks and the absence of buyers has resulted in an unusual pattern of yields. Short yield from over four per cent, for the earliest maturities, mediums substantially less, and irredeemables again over four per cent. A belief that long dated stocks must soon rise to restore the normal differential is a further reason for the present cautious attitude of investors.

The Government securities index was down to 97.14 on Thursday compared with 98.90 a week earlier. Price stiffened on Tuesday on the firmness of sterling and the improvement in Britain's terms of trade, but renewed selling put them down again next day.

The industrial share market was unsettled by a fall of gilt-edged rates and the publication of the Socialist election manifesto—foreshadowing new nationalisation moves—did nothing to brighten the outlook.

## INDUSTRIALS DOWN

The Financial Times Industrial share index fell from 187.7 to 183.9 in the week to Thursday's close. It would probably have fallen more had it not been for some excellent company results which put a little heart into the market.

Outstanding among these was the announcement by Imperial Chemicals of group profits at a new record of £27 1/2 million—over £10 million more than in the previous year. The dividend has been raised by 2 1/2 per cent to 10 per cent.

An interesting feature of the ICI statement is the £70 million rise in group sales to £352 million. But shareholders were not left to enjoy the completion of sales at a rate of nearly £1 million a day. For the statement coincided with the publication of the Socialist manifesto which places the chemical industry high on the list of candidates for nationalisation. ICI shares ended the week 1 1/2 lower at 48 1/2.

Losses among other industrial shares ranged to 2s.

In the other markets oils were firm until Friday when prices fell back sharply. Gold shares and copper improved.

Rubbers were in demand but tea was depressed.

NEW YORK  
STOCK  
REVIEW

By Elmer Walzer

New York, May 1.

Railroad shares featured a wide-moving stock market last week.

The all list showed a rise of nearly 1 1/2 points on average while other averages were up only a trifle.

The market ignored a hike in margins announced after the close a week ago and moved higher on Monday and Tuesday.

On Tuesday the industrial average set a new high for all time and rails were at their best since Oct. 26, 1928.

Declines on Wednesday and Thursday wiped out 7.45 points of the industrial decline, and a smaller portion of the rail gain. The major groups rallied on Friday on reduced volume.

There was a tendency to take profits from time to time on the theory the Government agencies were aiming steadily to curb the market rise.

The news of the week was considered highly favourable, consisting of higher production, increased earnings and some dividend hikes.

The steel companies, notably US Steel and Bethlehem reported record first quarter earnings. But these units were not generous with dividends. Big steel held its dividend at \$1 a share. Bethlehem declared a dividend of \$1.50.

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Best performers when the market was on the rise included metals, shipbuilders and other special issues.

Amusements picked up. Tobacco ran up to new highs in several instances in higher earnings and indications of a pickup in cigarette smoking after the recent cancer scares.—United Press.

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**SPECIAL NOTE:** With the exception of hand packages carried by passengers themselves, ALL BAGGAGE must pass through the Wharf Co.'s Godown for loading on board by ship's slings only.

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## OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER ANZAC DAY IS OBSERVED Labour Party War Continues

FROM H. KING WOOD

Sydney, Apr. 27.  
Anzac Day loses nothing with the passing of years, except that the ranks of the World War I veterans thin out.

This year it was estimated that half a million people lined the Sydney streets to watch the shortened procession—shortened as a concession to the older men. For the first time since the last war, the younger men outnumbered the veterans marching.

The dawn ceremony is one that becomes stronger with the years—12,000 this year being present at the Cenotaph. And as a tribute to our 10 o'clock closing, police report the quietest Anzac Night for many years.

The Labour Party war moves along with no holds barred. There is no need for politeness. Political opposites are often firm friends and, in any case, both opposition and government members realise that a decency line is necessary because it is only a question of time before the roles are reversed.

But an internal political war is another matter. These involved know that if they get down among the hoo-nailed boots they are likely to remain there—so it is just a question of who can kick the other.

At the moment we are getting some fine old stories. They include—  
● Warning NSW members are shadowing each other, phone calls are being tapped.  
● U.S. officials paid the ALP Industrial Group \$10,000 in 1954-5 (called "complete nonsense" by the US Ambassador).  
● £13,000 was paid by the Communists to the Labour Party. (Denied by Doc Ewart).  
● Violence is expected in the Victorian elections.

In short, the war is on in a big way, and the "unity" bonfire which began in Sydney yesterday certainly showed little signs of unity. At the time of writing this piece there are all the pointers to a complete breakdown.

Incidentally, the Premier, Mr Cahill, really turned it on for the members of the Federal Executive who visited Sydney to probe the goings on in the State branch.

He provided the investigators with a suite in the Premier's Department, stationed police at the door, provided an army of messengers, free drinks and refreshment.

Most thoughtful, perhaps, was placing them in a room with four escape doors, through which they could quietly disappear not only from the wailing press, but also party lobbyists and tick-lack men.

**NEW POWER STATION**  
On Saturday the Prime Minister officially opened the \$7,800,000 Murrumbidgee power station, the first completed section of the \$422,000,000 Snowy Mountains scheme.

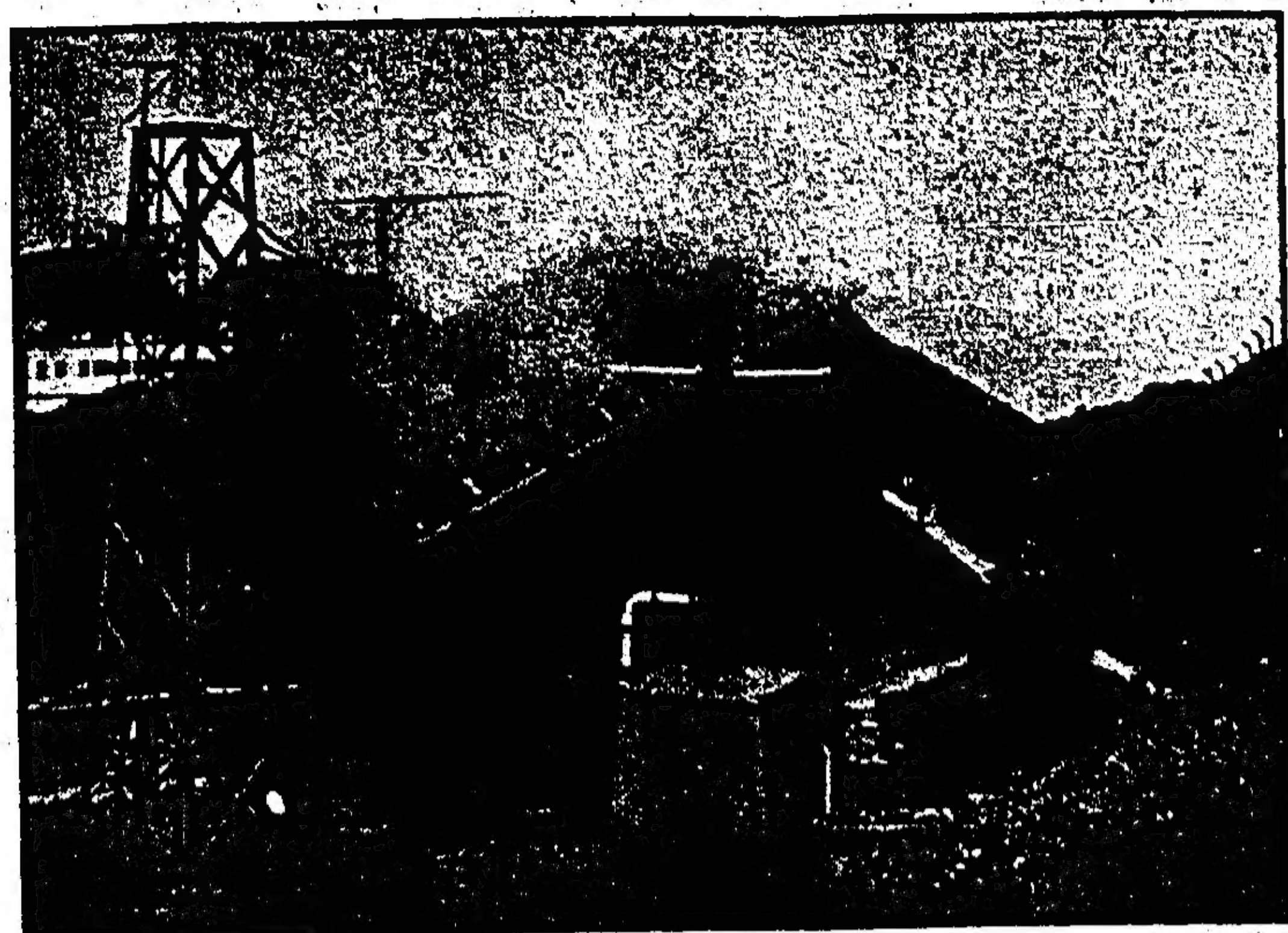
More than 2,500 people attended the ceremony on Australia's roof-top, most of them coming in 500 cars from Sydney, Melbourne and Canberra.

There was general approval that Liberal Prime Minister Menzies should grace a number of Labour rallies. Sir William McKell, a former Labour Premier of NSW, who, as Governor-General, gave Royal Assent to the Snowy River Bill; Nelson Leman, MP, who was Minister for Works in the Labour Government that began the scheme; the late Mr Chifley, who was then Prime Minister, and the present Labour leader, Doc Ewart.

Most of them were there last Saturday—Sir William McKell, Doc Ewart, Nelson Leman, Mr Cahill, NSW Premier, and the present Minister for Works, Senator Spooner.

**TARGET DATES**  
The Senator, who is a faithful believer in the Snowy Scheme—one of the great engineering projects of the world, by the way—was tickled pink that everything went smoothly and gave target dates which indicate that by 1963 the scheme will be well on its way.

## Rain-Making Experiment On Peak



The Royal Observatory and Public Works Department continued their rainmaking experiments this morning. First "seeding" of the clouds with water sprays was made last night.

An Observatory official said this morning that no results were as yet discernible, but that was accounted for by the fact that the proper depth of cloud had not yet passed over the Colony.

The ideal type of cloud for the experiments was about 5,000 in depth; so far most of the cloud passing over the Peak had been about 2,000 feet.

The picture above, taken by a staff photographer on the Peak this morning, shows a cloud being "seeded" with a spraying unit.

## OBJECTION TO EVIDENCE

An objection to certain evidence by a witness for the plaintiffs was raised by Counsel for the defendants this morning when hearing of a claim for damages, brought by the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd, against Wang Kee and Co., continued before Mr Justice J. R. Gregg at the Supreme Court.

Sitting with His Lordship as Assessor is Mr J. P. Hewitt, Senior Surveyor of Ships, of the Marine Department.

Plaintiffs, represented by the Hon. Leo d'Almeida, QC, and Mr T. A. Shurlock, instructed by Mr R. A. Wadsworth, of Messrs Deacons, are claiming damages totalling \$70,533.15 arising from the sinking of four of their lighters and damage to three others during the typhoon in the Colony on the early morning of September 1, 1953. Plaintiffs alleged negligence on the part of defendants.

Wang Kee and Co., stevedores and merchants, of 34-37 Cantonment Road Central, are represented by Mr John McNeill, QC, Mr Leslie Wright and Mr Victor Gittins, instructed by Mr Y. K. Kain, of Messrs Lo and Lo.

In their claim, plaintiffs alleged that by the negligence of the defendants, their servants and agents, lighters belonging to defendants were sunk and damaged, and that plaintiffs' lighters, sinking four and damaging three.

**SUPPLY EVIDENCE**  
Called as a witness this morning was Mr R. J. Taylor, Assistant Wharf Superintendent of the plaintiffs company. He said he had held that position since October, 1951, when he joined plaintiffs. Previous to that he had been, from 1930-39, quay foreman for the Harbour Line of Liverpool in charge of the handling of cargo from ocean-going ships. Following war service, he joined the Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Company in June, 1946, as wharfinger. His duties with Kowloon Wharf included the supervision of all cargo handling in the godowns, wharves, and ships and lighters alongside.

Mr Taylor said that on the night of September 1-2, 1953, he was on duty at midnight. There was a fresh breeze, moderate swell and light drizzle. At 2 a.m. there was practically no change in the weather. At 2.33 a.m. he was informed by Royal Observatory that No. 5 typhoon signal had been hoisted at 2.30 a.m. Witness telephoned the Hon. C. E. Perry, Mr J. Moodie and other members of the Company. He told Mr Moodie the No. 5 signal was up and was instructed by Mr Moodie to continue towing and get all available lighters into the typhoon shelter and to keep him informed of any change in the weather.

**THIRD LAUNCH**  
Witness then brought a third launch, the Kowloon, into service in addition to two others, Chai Cheuk and Curlew, already at work and which had been towing lighters all evening before witness came on duty. The Chai Cheuk towed two lighters from the ss City of Birmingham to Buoy A5, three lighters from Lai-chikok and one from Kowloon Wharf No. 5 South to the Yaumatei typhoon shelter, while Curlew towed seven lighters from Wharf No. 5 South and Wharf No. 2 South. Both these launches were engaged in this work between 12.30 a.m. and 4.30 a.m. on September 2. Witness sent the Kowloon direct to Lai-chikok where she towed five lighters to the typhoon shelter around 3 a.m.

Continuing, witness said he also boarded the ss Citos (berthed at Wharf No. 2 North) and the ss Nellore (berthed at Wharf No. 3 North) and informed the officers-on-duty on the ships about the hoisting of No. 5 signal. He also looked into the position of lighters alongside the Citos. All cargo work on the ship had ceased because of very heavy rain which began falling at 2.30 a.m. Plaintiffs had no lighters alongside the Citos.

Mr Taylor said there were two of plaintiffs' lighters lying by the wharf under the bow of the Nellore, while three others were lying alongside the ship. Witness demonstrated the position of these lighters on a scale plan in Court.

**DIFFERENT STORY**  
At this stage, Mr McNeill interposed to say that in their preliminary act plaintiffs had stated that all five lighters were alongside each other under the bow of the Nellore. The witness, he said, was now giving a different story. Counsel said he would submit on law that plaintiffs could not lead evidence to contradict their preliminary act, though Counsel could cross-examine on it, because the answers given in the preliminary act were a most solemn admission of fact.

Mr McNeill said the way in which the Court looked at a preliminary act was set out very clearly in three cases which Counsel proceeded to cite. He said evidence could not be led to show that when defendants' lighters were first sent alongside the Nellore the plaintiffs' lighters were also alongside the ship because that contradicted what was contained in the preliminary act.

Replying Mr d'Almeida said the preliminary act in the preliminary act were drawn up by Mr Wadsworth who was prepared to go into the witness-box and tell the Court the view he took was that they must have some relation to the state of circumstances nearest the time of the collision than the time about which the witness was testifying. There was a difference of about two hours between the two, he declared.

When the answer was drafted, he said, what was put down was that the lighters were alongside the Nellore at 2.30 a.m. and were towed under the bow of the Nellore, and then it was stated that the lighters were alongside the Nellore at 3 a.m. and were towed under the bow of the Nellore. The witness was deliberately departing from the truth, or was making a statement which was untrue at the time it was made. It was Counsel's submission that the position was the same whether the witness now spoke about it or gave it for cross-examination.

The hearing is proceeding.

## Re-Trial Of Dr Ng Reaches Its Concluding Stage

The re-trial of Dr Ng Yuk-kin, 50, medical practitioner, on a charge of rape before Mr Justice James Wicks reached its concluding stages in the Criminal Sessions this morning when Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr, Senior Crown Counsel, began his final address to the Jury.

Dr Ng is charged with the offence against Tam Shun, 25-year-old spinster, at his clinic in Nathan Road on August 23, 1954.

He is represented by Mr Brook A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr M. A. da Silva. The Prosecution is being conducted by Mr Blair-Kerr and Mr D. P. O. Mayne, Crown Counsel. Detective Inspector W. Watson was present for the Police.

The re-trial which commenced last Monday has attracted considerable public interest. Every available seat in the public gallery has been occupied and late arrivals have been turned away.

The Press bench was visited for the first time by a probationary sub-inspector of Police this morning two minutes before the trial was due to resume, requesting Pressmen to identify themselves. After two members of the Press had proved their identities the Police officer withdrew.

**SIMPLE CASE**  
Mr Blair-Kerr told the Jury that as he had stated at the opening of the Crown's case was a simple one. It was that the complainant, Tam Shun, went to the accused's clinic for a stomach complaint and a stomach complaint only. She was examined, more extensively than she had been before for that particular purpose, he said. She was asked to return the following day which she did and was examined again.

Senior Crown Counsel alleged that under the pretence of conducting that examination, with her face covered and all visual observation reduced to a minimum, the accused took advantage of the girl and achieved his evil object before she realised what had happened.

Realisation of her position came to Tam Shun slowly and this might or might not have been mitigated by the fact that some sort of drug, probably Pethidine, in some quantity unknown to the Prosecution, was used for the purpose of putting the girl into a placid, care-free frame of mind, the Prosecution Counsel alleged. That might or might not have contributed to the achievement of accused's object, the Crown did not know, but the Crown's case was neither or both that was a factor that could and was done by her being fooled by his fraud and false pretence.

Mr Blair-Kerr said that for the first time the accused in cross-examination had admitted in this Court that he had relationship with the complainant and that it was with her fullest consent. He said that the whole issue before the Jury now was whether or not the alleged offence was done with or without her consent.

Chief Inspector Ahmad Bin Hussein, of the Singapore Police Force, made an application in Court for a Magistrate's order to have Loh taken back to Singapore for trial. This was granted by Mr Lo who ordered the accused to be handed into the custody of Insp. Hussein.

Insp. Hussein testified to being in possession of a warrant for the arrest of the accused. This warrant, he said, had been endorsed and executed at the CID office at Hongkong Police Headquarters, this morning.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Do you still think a good disposition is more important than good looks?"

## Infringed Trade Marks: Man Fined

Found guilty of an infringement of Singer sewing machine trade marks, Tsang Chiu, manager of the Tung Fong Sewing Machine Company, of 26 Western Street, was fined \$1,500 or six months by Mr J. E. Durling at Central this morning.

Tsang faced three summonses brought against him by Mr Edward Stanley Gerriston, Supervising Agent of Singer Sewing Machine Company, of St George's Building.

On January 27 defendant was alleged to have had in his possession for the purpose of sale at 26 Western Street, five sewing machines, the which registered trade-mark "Singer" had been applied, five sewing machines to which the registered trade-mark "Cnop" had been applied; and four sewing machine stands to which the registered trade-mark "Singer" had been applied, all calculated to deceive.

Complainant was represented by Mr A. J. Clifford instructed by Mr D. B. Gunston (Wildinson and Grist), while defendant was represented by Mr A. Y. Hoi.

Mr Durling ordered that all exhibits listed in the three summonses be confiscated.

## Vacationing With Son In Hongkong

Among the passengers who arrived in the R.M.S. Carthage from the United Kingdom this morning were Captain and Mrs F. R. Spurr, who came to spend a vacation with their son, Mr Russell Spurr, Far East correspondent of the London Daily Express.

Capt. Spurr, who retired from the P & O three years ago as Senior Captain of the Line, knows the Far East well. He was for many years in the Far East run and was in command of such well-known ships as the Bawlf and Cornhill.

As a master mariner, he had more than his share of excitement. His ship, the Kashgar, was alongside a Tokyo pier when the disastrous earthquake of 1923 occurred. The ship broke away from her moorings and drifted in the harbour where she was able to pick up many survivors.

In World War I, Capt. Spurr took part in the Tripoli landing. In World War II he was in the North African landing, and as commander of a troopship in the closing stage of the last war his ship was sunk by German U-boats in the English Channel.

For Mrs Spurr, this is her first trip abroad.

## Shocked By Film Ban

Mr William Wyler, the Hollywood cinema director on holiday in Hongkong, exploded when told of the banning of the film "Waterfront" by Hongkong authorities at a press conference this morning.

He was told of the ban by a reporter. "It was obvious the first time he had heard of it. In an incredulous voice he said: 'It can't be. It's preposterous. The best young American actor. One of the best American producers. Nine Academy awards. I'm shocked. I'm really shocked!'"

Asked what he would like to say to the authorities, he said: "I'd tell them they'd made a bad mistake."

Then, recovering his composure, he added that Hongkong was a lovely place. This was the first unpleasant thing, he said, that he had heard about it.

Mr Wyler has produced many award winners himself. Among the best known were "Mrs Miniver", "The Best Years of Our Lives", and "Roman Holiday". His holiday in Hongkong follows the completion of a visit to Vietnam, "Desperate Hour", which should reach Hongkong early next year.

## Mr Victor Kendrick Marries

Mr Victor Kendrick, former manager of the Hongkong Bureau of United Press, was married last month in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to Miss Margaret Christine Rose Flanagan.

## Mail Notices

The latest times of posting shown below are those for registered correspondence posted at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest times elsewhere which, in general, are earlier than the G.P.O. times can be ascertained by enquiry at the post office.

**MONDAY, MAY 2**  
Philippines, 3 a.m.  
Formosa, Okinawa, USA, 5 p.m.  
Thailand, India, Middle East, Africa, Greece, Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.  
By Surface  
Korea, 3 p.m.  
Mexico, 3 p.m.  
**TUESDAY, MAY 3**  
By Air  
Japan, 8 a.m.  
Pakistan, Iraq, Lebanon, France, 9 a.m.  
Indo-China, 11 a.m.  
China, 11 a.m.  
Philippines, 11 a.m.  
Formosa, Okinawa, New Zealand, 2 p.m.  
Australia, 4 p.m.  
Japan, 6 p.m.  
Formosa, Okinawa, 6 p.m.  
Hawaii, USA, 6 p.m.  
Canada, 6 p.m.

## Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. 6 Time Signal and Programme Summary: 6.00, Children's Hour presented by Sally Ann (Studio); 6.30, Australian Trade Catalogue; 6.45, Review of Australian Industry; 6.45, Songs we remember; 7.15, Box 200 Bert Gillett; 7.30, The 100 Listeners' Choice presented by Fredrick Rowe-Evans (Studio); 7.30, Weather Report; 7.35, Time Signal and The New Record; 8.00, Commentaries (London Relay); 8.00, Announcements; 8.15, Short Stories; 8.20, The 100 Listeners' Choice presented by Robert Scott (Studio); 8.30, "The 100 Listeners' Choice" by Giovanni Denise; 8.30, Edmund Rice and his Orchestra. A programme of Latin American Music (BBC); 9.00, Time Signal; 9.05, "Women and Politics" Speaker: Miss Elaine Burton, M.P. (Recorded London Relay); 9.30, Collector's Corner, presented by Robert Scott (Studio); 10.00, "International Cabaret" presented by Denise; 10.30, "Much-Blinded" by Richard Murdoch and Kenneth Horne; 10.35, "The 100 Listeners' Choice" presented by Robert Scott (Studio); 11.00, Time Signal; 11.05, Radio News Read (London Relay); 11.15, Goodnight Music; Good Save The Queen; 11.30, Close Down.

## FAILED TO PAY

Four men were charged before Mr T. C. Creedon at Kowloon this morning for evading entertainment tax by entering the Lai-chikok Amusement Park on Sunday night without paying. Cheung King-man, 19, carpenter, Lo Yung, 19, student, and Chow Tung-ngan, carpenter, were each fined \$20 or four days, while Leung Cho-shih, 20, worker, was fined \$40 or for the offence.

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